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## MONTHLY REPORT

## FELDSPAR and SALT PRODUCTION IN CANADA - SEPTEMBER, 1939.

FELDSPAR - Shipments of feldspar by Canadian producers amounted to 1,221 tons in September compared with 614 tons in August and, 1,631 tons in September, 1938, according to a report just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. During the first nine months of the current year, 7,453 tons were shipped; a year ago, shipments totalled 10,438 tons.

Custom's records show that Canada exported 776 tons of feldspar in September; in the preceding month, 505 tons were exported while, during the calendar year to date, exports aggregated 4,547 tons. Exports of nepheline-syenite rose to 2,320 tons in September from the August total of 2,000 tons.

Receipts of ground feldspar advanced to 103 tons appraised at \$1,874; in August, 4 tons worth \$118 were imported. Imports during the period, January to September amounted to 487 tons with a valuation of \$8,005.

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	609	647	1,053
May	803	1,245	1,216
June	968	1,113	2,231
July	921	978	2,498
August	614	1,663	2,118
September	1,221	1,631	2,249
October	•	1,344	1,693
November		1,265	1,505
December		1,011	2,039
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR		14,058	21,346
TOTAL-NINE MONTHS ending SEPTEMBER	7,453	10,438	16,109

(a) Subject to revision.

SALT - Commercial salt shipments in September rose to 26,322 tons from the previous month's total of 21,073 tons and the September, 1938 total of 25,939 tons. Shipments during the nine months ending September totalled 176,557 tons or 6.1 per cent below the tonnage shipped a year ago.

Exports of salt from Canada in September amounted to 819 tons as against 1,800 tons in the preceding month.

Imports of salt into Canada were recorded at 11,379 tons, made up of 5 tons of table salt at \$185; 3,581 tons of salt for sea or gulf fisheries worth \$18,417; 3,865 tons of salt in bulk, n.o.p. at \$13,696 and 3,928 tons of salt in bags, barrels and other coverings valued at \$29,116.

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## PRODUCTION OF COMMERCIAL SALT IN CANADA

Month	1939(a)	1938	1937
	Tons	Tons	Tons
January February March April May June July August September October November December	10,535 10,982 13,882 18,818 25,732 26,288 22,925 21,073 26,322	11,575 12,205 13,650 27,419 25,662 28,515 20,350 22,730 25,939 33,169 34,319 13,574	11,824 11,622 13,406 25,908 24,167 24,658 23,317 19,866 25,734 27,475 32,106 13,425
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR		269,107	253,808
TOTAL - NINE MONTHS ending SEPTEMBER	176,557	188,045	180,502

<sup>(</sup>a) Subject to revision.

