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## MONTHLY REPORT

## FELDSPAR AND SALT PRODUCTION IN CANADA - MAY, 1940

FELDSPAR - Shipments of feldspar by Canadian producers amounted to 1,011 tons in May; during the preceding month, 467 tons were shipped while in May, 1939 shipments totalled 803 tons, according to a statement just issued by the Dominion Eureau of Statistics at Ottawa. During the first five months of the current year, 7,582 tons were shipped compared with 3,729 tons a year ago.

Exports of feldspar from Canada in May advanced to 575 tons from the April total of 90 tons. Nepheline-syenite exports were recorded at 880 tons as against 2,840 tons in the preceding month.

Ground feldspar importations into Canada were slightly higher in May, amounting to 56 tons worth \$968; in April, 49 tons at \$795 were imported. Receipts during the period January to May aggregated 268 tons appraised at \$4,827.

PRODUCTION OF FELDSPAR IN CAMADA

Sonth Sonth	1940(a)	1939(a)	1938
	Tons	Tons	Tons
anuary	1,707	762	1,480
ebruary	3,238	905	778
farch	1,159	650	903
pril	467	609	647
lay	1,011	803	1,245
une		968	1,113
uly		921	978
ugust		614	1,663
September		1,221	1,631
ctober		1,535	1,344
ovember		1,926	1,265
December		2,017	1,011
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR		12,931	14,058
TOTAL - FIVE MONTHS ending MAY	7,582	3,729	5,053

(a) Subject to revision.

SALT - Canadian producers shipped 24,612 tons of commercial salt in May; during the preceding month, 20,900 tons were shipped. Shipments during the five months ending May totalled 83,512 tons compared with 79,949 tons in the corresponding period of 1939.

Salt exports from Canada in May amounted to 763 tons, of which the United States received 54.3 per cent. Exportations during the period January to May aggregated 2,062 tons.

Imports of salt into Canada in May rose to 15,217 tons valued at \$82,891 as against the April total of 9,362 tons worth \$31,582. The May importations included 6,530 tons of salt for the sea or gulf fisheries, 3,893 tons of salt in bulk, n.o.p., and 4,794 tons of salt in bags, barrels and other coverings.

## PRODUCTION OF COLDIERCIAL SALT IN CANADA

Month	1940(a)	1939(a)	1938
	Tons	Tons	Tons
January February March April May June July August September October November December	12,493 12,188 13,319 20,900 24,612	10,535 10,982 13,882 18,818 25,732 26,288 22,925 21,073 26,322 33,278 30,612 13,035	11,575 12,205 13,650 27,419 25,662 28,515 20,350 22,730 25,939 33,169 34,319 13,574
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR		253,482	269,107
TOTAL - FIVE MONTHS ending MAY	83,512	79,949	90,511

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