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MONTHLY REPORT

SALT

JANUARY, 1946

Primary production of salt or natural sodium chloride in Canada during January, 1946 totalled 57,092 short tens, of which 23,503 short tens represented table, common fine and other commercial grades, and 33,589 short tons for the manufacture of chemicals. The corresponding grand total output in December, 1945 amounted to 52,433 short tons.

Shipments of commercial grades in January, 1940 totalled 21,533 short tons compared with 24,696 short tons in December, 1945. Actual consumption of salt for chemical manufacture in January, 1946 totalled 32,656 short tons compared with 28,434 short tons in December, 1945.

Imports of salt, including all grades, totalled 10,260 short tons in January, 1946 valued at \$65,319; exports amounted to 387 short tons valued at \$8.107.

Canadian salt production at the present time comes entirely from the provinces of Nova Scotia, Ontario, Manitoba and Alberta.

PRODUCTION, SHIPMENTS AND STOCKS, JANUARY, 1946

Grade	Produced	Shipped or used (tons)	Stocks at end of month
Table, dairy and pressed blocks Common fine Common coarse Highway and all other grades	7,953 10,658 908 3,984	7,703 10,691 749 2,390	3,816 1,715 474 2,437
Total Commercial	23,503	21,533	8,442
Salt used in the manufacture of chemicals	55, 589	32,650	v,8 5 5
GRAND TOTAL	57,092	54,189	18,297
Grand total December, 1945	52,433	53,130	15,394

