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MANUFACTURES OF THE NON-FERROUS METALS

FINAL SUMMARY STATISTICS, 1938

Production in Canada of non-ferrous metals and their manufactures was valued at \$434,699,676 in 1938 according to final figures compiled from the Census of Industry reports for that year. This value was 9.9 per cent below the corresponding total for 1937 but was higher than for any other year on record.

Six of the seven industries in this group showed a decline in production in 1938 as compared with 1937. Aluminium manufactures dropped 3.2 per cent to \$6,924,088; brass and copper products, 19.5 per cent to \$27,727,637; white metal alloys, 15.0 per cent to \$7,660,254; electrical apparatus, 8.8 per cent to \$90,129,119: non-ferrous smelting and refining, 9.7 per cent to \$287,295,733; and miscellaneous non-ferrous metal products, 1.1 per cent to \$1,588,662. Jewellery and silverware increased 2.1 per cent to \$13,374,183.

For the group as a whole there were 520 factories in operation compared with 525 in 1937. Capital employed advanced 6.8 per cent to \$327,463,534; the number of workers declined 0.4 per cent to 44,440; salaries and wages increased 0.5 per cent to \$58,010,696; and the cost of materials for manufacturing dropped 10.6 per cent to \$252,624,911.

Imports into Canada of non-ferrous metals and their products were valued at \$38,395,767 in 1938 compared with \$47,016,907 in 1937. Exports were appraised at \$255,516,252 in 1938 and \$307,701,616 in 1937.

Table 1 - PRINCIPAL STATISTICS FOR THE MANUFACTURES OF THE NON-FERROUS METALS, BY INDUSTRIES, 1937 and 1938

			Average		Cost of		Gross sell-
	No. of	Capital	number	Salaries	fuel and	Cost of	ing value
Industry	plants	employed	of em-	and	electricity	materials	of products
			ployees	wages	at works	at works	at works
		\$		\$	\$	\$	\$
1937							
Aluminium products	18	4,630,491	1,345	1,535,112	140,180	4,525,571	7,156,243
Brass and copper products	125	23,686,294	5,094	6,310,384	625,961	21,498,095	34,453,160
White metal alloys	38	7,155,603	1,222	1,360,216	108,519	5,749,842	9,011,283
Jewellery and silverware	121	9,794,908	3,316	3,801,230	112,616	6,647,300	13,093,546
Electrical apparatus and supplies.	191	97,187,905	21,706	26,291,436	1,331,249	41,695,446	98,841,992
Miscellaneous non-ferrous products	19	1,370,847	361	433,403	14,265	552,909	1,606,087
Non-ferrous smelting and refining.	13	162,696,595	11,570	17,990,947	14,607,421	201,862,965	318,278,251
TOTAL	525	306,522,643	44,614	57,722,728	16,940,211	282,532,128	482,440,562
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Aluminium products	19	4,798,855	1,372	1,619,082	136,690	4,078,112	6,924,088
Brass and copper products	127	22,991,460	5,030	6,155,367	577,601	16,002,647	27,727,637
White metal alloys	35	7,197,855	1,252	1,434,089	109,787	4,506,881	7,660,254
Jewellery and silverware	118	9,687,335	3,299	3,852,566	110,816	6,780,352	13,374,183
Electrical apparatus and supplies.	188	97,122,970	20,353	24,978,077	1,199,103	35,916,344	90,129,119
Miscellaneous non-ferrous products	20	1,327,933	346	421,552	14,897	369,763	1,588,662
Non-ferrous smelting and refining.	13	184,337,126	12,788	19,549,963	15,233,547	184,970,812	287,295,733
TOTAL	520	327,463,534	44,440	58,010,696	17,382,441	252,624,911	434,699,676
Per cent change 1938 from 1937	-1.0	<i>≠</i> 6.8	- 0.4	<i>f</i> 0.5	£ 2.6 ·	- 10.6	- 9.9

NOTE: Profits or losses cannot be calculated from above figures as data are not available for general expense items such as interest, rent, depreciation, taxes, insurance, advertising, etc.

Table 2 - PRINCIPAL STATISTICS FOR THE MANUFACTURES OF THE NON-FERROUS METALS, BY PROVINCES, 1937 and 1938

Province 1937	No. of plants	Capital employed	Average number of em- ployees	Salaries and wages	Cost of fuel and electricity at works	Cost of materials at works	Gross sell- ing value of products at works
Nova Scotia and New Brunswick Quebec Ontario Manitoba Saskatchewan and Alberta British Columbia	5 118 343 21 8 30	787,420 75,839,501 194,238,903 6,703,169 3,110,205 25,943,445	365 10,393 30,146 364 112 3,234	334,085 12,626,010 39,121,940 477,672 156,337 5,006,684	32,274 3,839,668 9,227,759 342,862 155,447 3,342,201	244,106 67,196,933 171,799,405 9,796,266 5,102,831 28,392,587	848,522 110,296,455 312,232,649 12,087,723 7,708,505 39,266,708
TOTAL	525	506,522,643	44,614	57,722,728	16,940,211	282,532,128	482,440,562
1938 Nova Scotia and New Brunswick Quebec	3 114 343 22 8 30	572,028 86,395,471 202,260,631 6,320,602 2,936,297 28,978,505	266 10,637 28,885 539 208 3,905	241,123 13,472,428 37,746,410 765,131 298,991 5,486,613	25,122 5,006,910 8,252,105 367,821 169,763 3,562,720	113,191 68,787,062 152,241,431 10,567,122 3,947,343 16,968,762	530,224 114,110,551 275,082,615 12,392,036 5,148,989 27,435,261
TOTAL	520	327,463,534	44,440	58,010,696	17,382,441	252,624,911	434,699,676

