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QUARTZ, 1927.

The Canadian production of quartz (silica) during 1927 totalled 233,984 tons valued at \$496,364, according to finally revised statistics just issued by the Mining, Metallurgical and Chemical Branch of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. In 1926 shipments reached a total of 232,082 tons worth \$553,161.

Silex or crystallized quartz imported into Canada during 1927 amounted to 3,188 tons with a valuation of \$75,230. Flint imports decreased slightly in 1927 to a total of 4,311 tons appraised at \$46,551.

The 19 firms operating in this industry in Canada reported an actual capital investment of \$963,216. Employment was furnished 17 salaried employees and 250 wage-earners; their combined earnings amounted to \$271,555. Expenditures for fuel and electricity were reported at \$34,423. Primary power installation consisted of 33 units rated at 1,288 h.p.

PRODUCTION IN CANADA AND IMPORTS OF QUARTZ, 1927.

	Quantity	Value	\$
			Tons
PRODUCTION -			
Nova Scotia.....	4,834	16,721	
Quebec.....	49,141	132,615	
Ontario.....	159,150	266,204	
British Columbia.....	20,859	80,824	
TOTAL.....	233,984	496,364	
IMPORTS -			
Silex or crystallized quartz, ground or unground.....	3,188	75,230	
Flint.....	4,311	46,551	

PRINCIPAL STATISTICS OF THE QUARTZ INDUSTRY IN CANADA,
1926 and 1927.

	1926	1927
Number of firms.....	17	19
Capital employed.....	\$1,056,705	\$ 963,216
Number of employees:		
On salary.....	17	17
On wages.....	226	250
TOTAL.....	243	267
Salaries and wages:		
Salaries.....	\$ 28,351	\$ 21,940
Wages.....	\$ 180,488	\$ 249,615
TOTAL.....	\$ 208,839	\$ 271,555
Cost of fuel and electricity.....	\$ 44,311	\$ 34,423
Selling value of products.....	\$ 553,161	\$ 496,364

