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SILVER, 1929.

Statistics on Canadian silver production in 1929, finally revised, as reported by the mining, metallurgical and chemical branch of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, show a production of 23,143,261 fine ounces which, valued at the average price for the year, 52.993 cents per fine ounce, was worth \$12,264,308, as compared with the 1928 output of 21,936,407 fine ounces valued at \$12,761,725, when the price of silver averaged 58.176 cents per fine ounce.

A small quantity of silver was produced in association with gold in the provinces of Nova Scotia and Manitoba. The Quebec output of 813,821 fine ounces was contained in blister copper made by the Noranda smelter; in gold bullion, and in exported silver-lead-zinc and copper concentrates.

Ontario produced 8,890,726 fine ounces, 82.6 per cent of which was in the form of bullion; the remainder was contained in concentrates exported, in gold bullion produced by gold mines, in the nickel-copper ores and copper-lead-zinc ores of the Sudbury district, and in the gold and copper ores shipped to the Noranda smelter.

British Columbia's output of 10,156,408 fine ounces was smaller than in 1928. The Sullivan and Premier mines were the major producers; small recoveries were made in the refining of alluvial gold and gold bullion. Copper ores exported to foreign smelters and blister copper made at the Trail and Granby smelters contributed considerably to the provincial production.

The Yukon production of 3,279,530 fine ounces shows an increase over 1928. Increases are registered in both the placer output and in metal contained in ores and concentrates exported to foreign smelters.

PRODUCTION OF SILVER IN CANADA, BY PROVINCES AND BY SOURCES,
1928 and 1929.

	1928	1929		
	Quantity fine ounces	Value \$	Quantity fine ounces	Value \$
<u>NOVA SCOTIA</u>				
In gold bullion.....	77	45	132	70
<u>QUEBEC</u>				
In gold ores, in blister copper and in copper and silver-lead-zinc ores exported.....	908,959	528,796	813,821	431,269
<u>ONTARIO</u>				
In silver bullion and nuggets.....	5,954,880	3,464,311	7,345,561	3,892,633
In gold bullion.....	242,468	141,058	256,786	136,079
In slags exported from gold mines.....	5,759	3,350	99	52
In matte, blister copper and in silver ores, concentrates and residues exported.....	1,039,494	604,737	1,288,280	682,698
Total	<u>7,242,601</u>	<u>4,215,456</u>	<u>8,990,726</u>	<u>4,711,462</u>
<u>MANITOBA</u>				
In gold bullion.....	1,763	1,026	2,644	1,401
<u>ALBERTA</u>				
In gold bullion.....	7	4
<u>BRITISH COLUMBIA</u>				
In alluvial gold.....	1,516	862	1,160	615
In gold bullion.....	1,536	894	1,363	722
In blister copper.....	770,557	443,279	667,052	353,491
In base bullion and in ores exported.....	10,169,758	5,916,358	9,486,853	5,027,357
Total.....	<u>10,943,567</u>	<u>6,366,413</u>	<u>10,156,408</u>	<u>5,382,185</u>
<u>YUKON</u>				
In alluvial gold.....	7,676	4,466	8,028	4,254
In ores exported.....	2,831,957	1,647,519	3,271,502	1,735,667
Total.....	<u>2,839,633</u>	<u>1,651,985</u>	<u>3,279,530</u>	<u>1,737,921</u>
<u>TOTAL CANADA</u>	<u>21,936,407</u>	<u>12,761,725</u>	<u>23,143,261</u>	<u>12,264,308</u>

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