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Production of coke in Canada during April amounted to 170,405 short tons. This output, while slightly under the 171,894 tons reported for the previous month, compares favorably with the record of 176,445 tons in January which was the greatest tonnage reported for any month since the commencement of monthly coke atatistics in 1925. In April of a year ago, coke production was 149,357 tons.

In the western provinces production advanced to 19,971 tons from 19,808 tons in the preceding month, but this small gain was more than offset by lower outputs in Ontario and the eastern provinces. Ontario's production foll off slightly to 106,722 tons from 107,108 tons, and the output from the eastern provinces declined to 43,712 tons from 44,978 tons

Statements on the disposition of coke by the makers showed an incroased consumption in the associated smelters, and a decrease in the quantities sold and used in coke plants. Deliveries to the producing companios associated smelters totalled 97,432 tons as compared with 87,064 tons used for this purpose in the previous month; 19,909 tons were used as fuel in the coke plants as againat 20,704 tons in March and only 47,604 tons were sold in April whereas March sales amounted to 60,872 tons. For the first four months of the year production totalled 676,992 tons while the producers disposed of 683,101 tons; during the corresponding period of last year production totalled 623,549 tons and the disposition amounted to 634,362 tons.

During April, 253,184 tons of bituminous coal, including 78,034 tons of Canadian coal and 175, 1.50 tons of imported coal, were carbonized to make 170,405 tons of coke, an average yield of 67 per cent. For the first four months of the year oven charges totallec 986,653 tors of coal and from this charge 676,992 tone coke were produced giving, thus, an average yield of 69 per cent.

Imports of coke into Canada during April fell off sharply to 38,392 tons from 70,375 tons and exports dropped 64 per cent to 3,000 tons from 8,304 tons in March which in turn was about 50 per cent under the 16,688 tons reported as exported in February. By deducting the exports from the sum of the production and the imports, the apparent consumption of coke in Canada is shown to have been 205,797 tons in April. For the first four menths of this year consumption totalled 864,638 tons as comparsd with a consumption of 949,009 tons during the corresponding period of last year.

COKE PRODUCTION IN CANADA BY YONTHS, 1927

$\begin{array}{lllllllll}\text { TOTAL } 3 C 8,230 & 678,423 & 986,653 & 676,992 & 81,358 & 323,312 & 278,431 & 683,101\end{array}$
Coke used in iron blast furnaces: Month 82,273 tons; Year to Date 281,534 tons.

PRODUCTION IN CANADA, IMFORTS AND EXPORTS OF COKE BY PROVINCES, 1926 \& 192?


