

particulars are available, the annual output for some years has been about 600,000 barrels.

According to the census returns there were 12 refineries in operation in Ontario in 1890, employing about 250 men, and it was estimated that there were 3,500 wells pumped.

730. The following table contains the only trustworthy statistics of Canadian production of oil that are available, and these figures do not give the total production, since the quantity of crude oil, used as such, is not included :—

CANADIAN PETROLEUM AND NAPHTHA INSPECTED AND CORRESPONDING QUANTITIES OF CRUDE OIL, 1881-95.

YEAR.	Refined Oils.	Crude equivalent calculated.
	Imp. galls.	Imp. galls.
1881.....	6,406,783	12,813,566
1882.....	5,910,787	13,134,993
1883.....	6,970,550	15,490,111
1884.....	7,656,011	19,140,027
1885.....	7,661,617	19,154,042
1886.....	8,149,472	21,445,979
1887.....	8,243,962	21,694,637
1888.....	9,545,895	25,120,776
1889.....	9,462,834	24,902,195
1890.....	10,121,210	26,634,763
1891.....	10,270,827	27,028,492
1892.....	10,238,426	26,943,227
1893.....	10,683,806	28,115,278
1894.....	10,825,350	28,487,763
1895.....	10,928,894	28,760,247

731. According to returns from refiners, the production of all kinds by Canadian oil refiners in 1892, 1893 and 1894, was as follows :—

PRODUCTION OF OIL REFINERIES IN CANADA, 1892, 1893 and 1894.

ARTICLES.	1892.		1893.		1894.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
	Galls.	\$.	Galls.	\$	Galls.	\$
Illuminating oils.....	10,806,806	1,176,720	11,100,810	1,073,738	11,289,741	1,003,973
Benzine and Naphta ...	793,263	60,130	721,192	54,760	645,031	54,515
Paraffine oils.	1,051,163	127,351	1,243,924	116,233	1,282,749	118,053
Gas oils	6,343,539	202,047	7,559,489	217,740	7,323,374	197,193
Lubricating oils and tar.	3,177,853	133,336	1,876,633	92,616	1,801,174	74,309
Total gallons.....	22,172,674	1,699,584	22,502,048	1,555,087	22,342,069	1,448,043
Paraffine wax (lbs.)....	876,570	82,781	1,659,167	120,697	1,950,172	119,091
Total value.....		1,782,365		1,675,784		1,567,134