

The following table gives the world's production of gold and silver for the calendar years 1899 and 1900 :—

Countries.	1899.		1900.	
	Gold.	Silver, Coining value.	Gold.	Silver, Coining value.
	£	£	£	£
British Empire—				
Great Britain	58,800	241,200	276,200	286,600
Australia	79,321,600	16,468,800	73,498,900	17,248,000
British Guiana	2,040,500		2,035,900	
" East Indies	425,100		571,400	
Africa	73,023,000		8,671,900	
British India	8,658,800		9,435,500	
Canada	21,261,584	4,411,000	27,916,752	5,751,900
Total. British Empire.	184,789,384	21,121,600	94,489,850	23,286,500
United States	71,053,400	70,806,600	79,171,000	74,533,500
Mexico	8,500,000	71,902,500	9,000,000	74,263,000
Argentina	137,700	495,800	43,700	47,500
Bolivia	332,300	12,904,400	332,300	12,904,400
Chile	1,298,600	5,382,100	1,627,600	5,382,100
Columbia	1,844,600	4,553,100	1,194,900	2,410,200
Ecuador	47,900	10,000	107,700	10,000
Brazil	2,140,500		3,330,300	
Venezuela	593,500		593,500	
Guiana, Dutch	587,600		576,400	
" French	1,688,700		1,580,700	
Peru	860,700	8,436,700	1,085,200	9,433,000
Uruguay	27,500	800	30,800	1,000
Central America	586,100	1,179,400	500,000	1,310,100
Russia	22,167,100	174,400	20,145,500	185,300
Austria-Hungary	1,943,900	2,450,400	2,141,900	2,571,300
Germany	74,200	8,070,500	66,000	6,996,600
Norway and Sweden	70,600	311,000	58,800	303,600
Italy	75,100	1,095,500	35,200	971,400
Spain	2,000	3,171,500	8,600	4,118,400
Portugal	4,700	4,900	4,700	4,900
Greece		1,523,500		1,523,500
Turkey	14,000	183,800	14,000	183,800
Finland	1,700	10,100	1,700	10,100
France		602,600		602,600
Japan	1,104,300	2,311,100	1,104,300	2,311,100
China	5,574,400		5,574,400	
Korea	1,459,000		4,500,000	
East Indies, Dutch	117,600		435,000	104,300
Total, other countries.	122,307,700	195,580,700	133,264,200	200,181,700
Grand total	307,097,084	216,701,700	227,754,000	223,468,200

The total production of gold since the discovery of this continent is estimated by Dr. Soetbeer at \$10,067,833,300. In the 5 years, 1896-1900, the total value of gold produced was \$1,288,008,300, an average of \$257,601,660 a year. In the previous 5 year period, 1891-1895, the total production was \$814,736,000, an annual average of \$162,947,000.