

60.—Fisheries of Canada, compared as to Quantities and Values, 1916 and 1917
 (" 000 " omitted).—concluded.

Kinds of Product.	Actual Value, 1917.	Value at prices of 1916.	Actual value, 1916.	Increase (+) or decrease (-).	Due to higher (+) or lower (-) prices.	Due to larger (+) or smaller (-) quantities
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Fertilizer.....	58	63	49	+ 9	- 5	+ 14
Whale oil.....	251	108	144	+ 107	+ 143	- 36
Fish oil.....	250	187	201	+ 49	+ 63	- 14
Other fish and products of.....	486	418	283	+ 203	+ 68	+ 135
Total Fisheries.....	39,208	33,667	35,861	+3,347	+5,541	-2,194
Increase or Decrease per cent.....	-	-	-	+ 9.3	+ 16.5	- 6.1

MINERALS.

Mineral Statistics.—The results of the census of mineral production, taken in 1911, were published in the Year Book of 1913 (pages 196–199). In the present edition the Canadian statistics given are limited to those of the Dominion Government and of the Departments of Mines of the Provincial Governments. To the statistics of production in this section have been added statements of the imports of Portland cement (Table 82), of the imports of anthracite and bituminous coal (Table 83) and of the exports of coal (Table 84).

Dominion Department of Mines.—According to the annual preliminary report of the Division of Mineral Resources and Statistics of the Dominion Department of Mines, the total value of the metal and mineral production of 1917 was \$193,271,816, as compared with \$177,201,534, the finally revised figures of 1916. This is an increase of \$16,070,282, or 9 p.c., over 1916, and is the highest figure on record.

Increase or Decrease in Principal Products, 1917.—The quantities of many important products were considerably less in 1917 than in 1916, and over two-thirds of the increase in value is attributable to coal, gypsum and cement, of which the quantities marketed were less than in the previous year. Lead and silver also show a much smaller output. As against these decreases there has been an important increase in the production of zinc and increases also in the production of cobalt, molybdenite and nickel. The total value of the metallic production in 1917 was \$106,630,752, as compared with \$106,319,365 in 1916, an increase of \$311,387, or 0.29 p.c. The total value of the non-metallic production in 1917 was \$86,641,064, as compared with \$70,882,169 in 1916, an increase of \$15,758,895, or