and Premier mines were responsible for the greater part of the output from this province. The Sullivan, primarily noted for its lead and zinc production, is the largest producer of silver in Canada. Silver was also recovered from the copper ores and concentrates which were exported for treatment in foreign smelters and from blister copper made at the Trail and Anyox smelters.

Yukon Territory.—The production of silver from the Yukon Territory in 1929 amounted to 3,279,530 fine oz., derived chiefly from the silver-lead ores exported from the Mayo district. For some years the difficulties and high cost of transportation involved in the export of these ores were a serious obstacle to the successful operation of the mines. However, in the summer of 1925 the Treadwell Yukon Co. of Keno Hill, the largest producer in the district, completed a concentrating plant which has since been kept working at full capacity. By eliminating much of the waste from the ores, concentration reduces the transportation costs. Ores from neighbouring mines are treated at this mill and this feature is of great assistance to the smaller operators in the district. The quantity of silver obtained from placer gold is gradually decreasing.

World Production of Silver.—The world production of silver was estimated at 261,715,021 fine oz. for 1929, an increase of 25.4 p.c. over the pre-war figure of 1913, given as 208,690,446 fine oz. The silver production of Canada in 1929 was 23,143,261 fine oz. For the quantity and value of the world's production in 1928 and 1929, see Table 10 of this chapter.

Statistics of the quantities and values of silver produced in Canada are given for the years since 1887 in Table 11, while statistics of the quantities and values produced in the various provinces are given for 1911 and subsequent years in Table 12.

 Quantities and Values of Silver Produced in Canada during the calendar years 1887-1939.

Year.	Quantity.	Value.	Year.	Quantity.	Value.	Year.	Quantity.	Value.
	oz, fine.	\$		oz. fine.	*		oz. finė.	\$
1887 1888 1889	355, 083 437, 232 383, 318 400, 687	410,998	1903 1904	5,539,192 4,291,317 3,198,581 3,577,526 6,000,023	3,265,354 2,238,351 1,709,642 2,047,095 3,621,133	1917 1918 1919	25,459,741 22,221,274 21,383,979 16,020,657 13,330,357	16,717,121 18,091,895 20,693,704 17,802,474 13,450,330
1891 1892 1893 1894	414,523 310,651 847,697 1,578,275	409,549 272,130 330,128 534,049 1,030,299	1907 1908 1909	8,473,379 12,799,799 22,106,238 27,529,473 32,869,264	5,659,455 8,348,659 11,686,239 14,178,504 17,580,455	1922 1923 1924	13,543,198 18,626,439 18,601,744 19,736,323 20,228,988	8,485,355 12,576,758 12,067,509 13,180,113 13,971,150
1896 1897 1898 1899	3,205,343 5,558,456 4,452,333 3,411,644 4,468,225	2,149,503 3,323,395 2,593,929 2,032,658 2,740,362	1912 1913 1914	32,559,044 31,955,560 31,845,803 28,449,821 26,625,960	17, 355, 272 19, 440, 165 19, 040, 924 15, 593, 631, 13, 228, 842	1927 1928 1929	22,371,924 22,736,698 21,936,407 23,143,261 26,435,935	13,894,531 12,816,677 12,761,725 12,264,308 10,086,367

Preliminary figures.