

him in the first place with the duty of stimulating shipments to Canada, and eventually extending his powers until they included the work of controlling prices and directing coal-mining operations in Canada. The Fuel Controller concluded his duties in March, 1919, but in the summer of 1922 it was again found necessary to provide machinery to handle the administrative problems directly related to the tiding-over of a threatened fuel shortage. The Dominion Fuel Board, with the Deputy Minister of the Department of Mines as chairman, was constituted on Nov. 25, 1922, to meet the need for a standing organization definitely responsible for the systematic study of the fuel position of the Dominion. The Board issued an interim report in 1923 and has since issued, in co-operation with the Department of Mines, various studies on particular fuels, notably a report "Coke as a Household Fuel in Central Canada" published in 1925.

The coal production in 1930 amounted to 14,881,324 short tons, valued at \$52,849,748, or an average of \$3.55 per ton. This represented a decrease of 2,615,233 tons, or 15 p.c., as compared with the previous year. The decline in production was greatest in Alberta where it amounted to 19 p.c., while the decline in Nova Scotia was 11 p.c., and Nova Scotia was again the leading producer. The coal produced in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, British Columbia and Yukon is all classed as bituminous, while Alberta produces bituminous, sub-bituminous and lignite, and Saskatchewan lignite only. The division of the 1930 production among these classes is given in Table 24. The quantity of coal mined annually in five provinces and the Yukon Territory from 1909 to 1931 is shown in Table 20.

## 20.—Production of Coal in Canada, by Provinces, calendar years 1909-31.

NOTE.—For annual production by provinces from 1874 to 1908, see 1911 Year Book, p. 419.

Year.	Nova Scotia.	New Brunswick.	Saskatchewan.	Alberta.	British Columbia.	Yukon Territory.	Canada.	
							Quantity.	Value.
	short tons.	short tons.	short tons.	short tons.	short tons.	short tons.	short tons.	\$
1909.....	5,682,089	49,029	192,125	1,994,741	2,606,127	7,364	10,561,475	24,781,236
1910.....	6,431,142	55,455	181,156	2,894,469	3,330,745	16,185	12,909,152	30,909,779
1911.....	7,004,420	55,781	206,779	1,511,036	2,542,532	2,840	11,323,388	26,467,646
1912.....	7,783,885	44,780	225,342	3,240,577	3,208,997	9,245	14,512,829	36,019,044
1913.....	7,980,073	70,311	212,897	4,014,755	2,714,420	19,722	15,012,178	37,334,940
1914.....	7,370,924	98,049	232,299	3,683,015	2,239,799	13,443	13,637,529	33,471,861
1915.....	7,463,370	127,391	240,107	3,360,818	2,065,613	9,724	13,267,023	32,111,182
1916.....	8,912,140	143,540	281,306	4,559,054	2,584,061	3,300	14,483,395	38,817,481
1917.....	6,327,091	189,095	355,445	4,736,368	2,433,888	4,872	14,046,759	43,199,831
1918.....	5,818,562	268,212	346,847	5,972,816	2,568,589	2,900	14,977,926	55,192,896
1919.....	5,790,196	166,377	379,347	4,933,660	2,649,516	-	13,919,096	55,622,670
1920.....	6,437,156	171,610	335,222	6,907,765	3,095,011	-	16,946,704	82,496,838
1921.....	5,734,928	187,192	335,632	5,909,217	2,890,291	223	15,057,493	72,451,656
1922.....	5,569,072	287,513	382,437	5,990,911	2,927,033	465	15,157,431	65,518,497
1923.....	6,597,838	276,617	438,100	6,854,397	2,323,396	313	16,990,571	72,068,986
1924.....	5,557,441	217,121	479,118	5,189,729	2,193,667	1,121	13,633,197	53,593,988
1925.....	3,842,978	208,012	471,965	5,869,931	2,742,252	730	13,134,958	49,261,951
1926.....	6,747,477	173,111	489,803	6,503,705	2,613,719	316	16,478,131	59,875,094
1927.....	7,071,876	203,950	470,216	6,934,162	2,746,243	414	17,426,861	61,867,463
1928.....	6,743,504	207,738	471,713	7,336,330	2,804,594	144	17,564,293	63,757,833
1929.....	7,056,133	218,706	580,189	7,150,693	2,490,379	458	17,496,557	63,065,170
1930.....	6,252,552	209,349	579,424	5,755,528	2,083,818	653	14,881,324	52,849,748
1931 <sup>1</sup> .....	4,952,182	181,327	657,723	4,562,004	1,876,476	904	12,230,616	41,178,107

<sup>1</sup> Preliminary figures.

The imports of anthracite, bituminous and lignite coal for the calendar years from 1911 to 1931 are given in Table 21, and the exports from 1911 to 1931 in Table 22.