

to 71 p.c. and 66 p.c. of the value of net sales. This was probably an abnormally high proportion owing to declining output and prices and abnormally low profits during those difficult years. Auriferous quartz mining was second to coal mining with about half the number of employees. Its salaries and wages bill was nearly as great, however, as that of coal mining, since employment is much less subject to seasonal fluctuations. The smelting and refining industry was third in the number of its employees and in salaries and wages paid.

7.—Summary of the Principal Statistics of the Mineral Industries of Canada, by Industries, 1932 and 1933.

| Industry and Year. | Firms. | Capital Employed. | Employees. | Salaries and Wages. | Fuel and Electricity. | Net Sales. ¹ |
|---|------------|--------------------|---------------|---------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| | No. | \$ | No. | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| METALLIC MINERALS. | | | | | | |
| Alluvial gold.....1932 | 120 | 7,306,130 | 373 | 665,711 | 38,840 | 1,211,018 |
| 1933 | 73 | 10,402,705 | 454 | 704,151 | 35,165 | 1,218,250 |
| Auriferous quartz.....1932 | 100 | 58,167,335 | 10,442 | 17,686,584 | 3,031,494 | 58,645,772 |
| 1933 | 214 | 158,599,931 | 12,823 | 20,536,012 | 3,330,137 | 69,151,535 |
| Copper-gold-silver.....1932 | 28 | 14,793,372 | 3,076 | 3,770,627 | 463,463 | 11,143,759 |
| 1933 | 28 | 40,228,626 | 2,841 | 3,938,778 | 404,625 | 7,707,270 |
| Silver-cobalt.....1932 | 17 | 3,005,872 | 369 | 551,255 | 124,478 | 1,735,708 |
| 1933 | 12 | 3,365,755 | 242 | 322,281 | 83,565 | 1,071,602 |
| Silver-lead-zinc.....1932 | 36 | 11,921,067 | 1,084 | 1,719,186 | 358,649 | 5,156,365 |
| 1933 | 42 | 17,705,026 | 1,100 | 1,501,012 | 284,277 | 7,569,867 |
| Nickel-copper.....1932 | 3 | 23,137,628 | 1,210 | 1,776,190 | 96,670 | 3,174,208 |
| 1933 | 4 | 30,048,125 | 1,599 | 2,518,181 | 152,984 | 6,108,325 |
| Miscellaneous metals....1932 | 5 | 1,140,200 | 34 | 35,181 | 2,475 | 1,113 |
| 1933 | 5 | 563,500 | 24 | 14,275 | 1,178 | 343 |
| Smelting and refining...1932 | 10 | 149,708,860 | 5,343 | 8,778,970 | 4,435,394 | 38,722,129 ² |
| 1933 | 11 | 146,085,284 | 6,360 | 8,403,181 | 2,792,322 | 57,318,734 ² |
| Totals, Metallic Minerals.....1932 | 319 | 269,180,464 | 21,931 | 34,983,704 | 8,551,463 | 119,790,072 |
| 1933 | 389 | 406,998,952 | 25,443 | 37,937,871 | 7,084,253 | 150,145,926 |
| NON-METALLIC MINERALS. | | | | | | |
| <i>Fuels.</i> | | | | | | |
| Coal.....1932 | 455 | 131,879,671 | 26,960 | 25,042,766 | 3,056,601 | 34,984,922 |
| 1933 | 496 | 125,740,790 | 25,375 | 22,378,736 | 3,214,632 | 33,805,148 |
| Natural gas.....1932 | 160 | 75,187,066 | 1,351 | 1,738,949 | 32,912 | 8,188,966 |
| 1933 | 174 | 80,937,170 | 1,367 | 1,650,815 | 53,994 | 7,725,951 |
| Petroleum.....1932 | 175 | 48,568,562 | 655 | 776,163 | 120,842 | 3,467,538 |
| 1933 | 175 | 36,972,528 | 718 | 773,734 | 136,278 | 3,562,170 |
| Totals, Fuels.....1932 | 790 | 255,635,299 | 28,936 | 27,557,881 | 3,220,355 | 46,641,426 |
| 1933 | 845 | 243,650,483 | 27,460 | 24,803,285 | 3,404,904 | 45,093,269 |
| <i>Other Non-Metallic Minerals.</i> | | | | | | |
| Abrasives (natural)....1932 | 10 | 679,865 | 36 | 26,471 | 2,422 | 48,844 |
| 1933 | 9 | 58,556 | 19 | 7,796 | 1,034 | 60,927 |
| Asbestos.....1932 | 7 | 30,081,362 | 1,409 | 1,156,315 | 827,303 | 3,039,721 |
| 1933 | 7 | 31,173,325 | 1,629 | 1,279,093 | 771,327 | 5,211,177 |
| Feldspar and quartz....1932 | 33 | 936,177 | 120 | 91,603 | 13,391 | 358,129 |
| 1933 | 28 | 1,143,792 | 146 | 117,037 | 26,327 | 402,937 |
| Gypsum.....1932 | 11 | 8,054,148 | 478 | 368,484 | 122,926 | 1,080,379 |
| 1933 | 14 | 8,769,564 | 415 | 263,279 | 91,518 | 675,822 |
| Iron oxides.....1932 | 4 | 206,863 | 26 | 22,909 | 5,993 | 46,161 |
| 1933 | 4 | 156,551 | 22 | 15,631 | 5,755 | 53,450 |
| Mica.....1932 | 5 | 119,670 | 9 | 7,864 | 50 | 6,828 |
| 1933 | 15 | 312,396 | 41 | 25,007 | 80 | 49,284 |

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