

metal permitted a very considerable extension or increase of pay ore with the resultant milling of rock of lower gold content and important increases in ore reserves. Notable gains in production have been recorded in the base-metal mining industry since 1933 and these gains were extended during 1936. The more outstanding of these gains in the latest year were in lead, nickel, and zinc while copper nearly equalled the record output of 1935.

Production of various non-metallic minerals, especially asbestos and coal, have realized important gains since 1932. The gains in the structural materials industries, where recessions were severe during the period of business depression, have been encouraging since 1933 but there is room for a large expansion in this division when the construction industry recovers its normal activity.

Subsection 1.—General Statistics of Mineral Production.

In Table 1 will be found the total values of the minerals produced in Canada in each year since 1886, while Table 2 gives the details of the mineral production of 1934 and 1935, with the percentage of increase or decrease in the latter year.

1.—Value¹ of Mineral Production in Canada, calendar years 1886-1936.

Calendar Year.	Total Value.	Value per Capita.	Calendar Year.	Total Value.	Value per Capita.	Calendar Year.	Total Value.	Value per Capita.
	\$	\$		\$	\$		\$	\$
1886.....	10,221,255	2-23	1903.....	61,740,513	10-90	1920.....	227,859,665	26-63
1887.....	10,321,331	2-23	1904.....	60,082,771	10-31	1921.....	171,923,342	19-56
1888.....	12,518,894	2-67	1905.....	69,078,999	11-51	1922.....	184,297,242	20-66
1889.....	14,013,113	2-96	1906.....	79,286,697	12-86	1923.....	214,079,331	23-76
1890.....	16,763,353	3-51	1907.....	86,865,202	13-55	1924.....	209,583,406	22-92
1891.....	18,976,616	3-93	1908.....	85,557,101	12-92	1925.....	226,583,333	24-38
1892.....	16,623,415	3-40	1909.....	91,831,441	13-50	1926.....	240,437,123	25-44
1893.....	20,035,082	4-06	1910.....	106,823,623	15-29	1927.....	247,356,695	25-67
1894.....	19,931,158	4-00	1911.....	103,220,994	14-32	1928.....	274,989,487	27-96
1895.....	20,505,917	4-08	1912.....	135,048,296	18-28	1929.....	310,850,246	31-00
1896.....	22,474,256	4-42	1913.....	145,634,812	19-08	1930.....	279,873,578	27-42
1897.....	28,485,023	5-56	1914.....	128,863,075	16-36	1931.....	230,434,726	22-21
1898.....	38,412,431	7-42	1915.....	137,109,171	17-18	1932.....	191,228,225	18-20
1899.....	49,234,005	9-41	1916.....	177,201,534	22-15	1933.....	221,495,253	20-74
1900.....	64,420,877	12-15	1917.....	189,646,821	23-53	1934.....	278,161,590	25-67
1901.....	65,797,911	12-25	1918.....	211,301,897	25-93	1935.....	312,344,457 ²	29-56 ²
1902.....	63,231,836	11-51	1919.....	176,686,390	21-26	1936 ²	361,394,062	32-77

¹Beginning with 1931 exchange equalization on gold production is included in total value.

²Figures for 1936 are subject to revision.

³Revised since the publication of the 1936 Year Book.