

Dominion Fuel Board.—The Board was created in 1922 to meet the need for a permanent organization responsible to the Government for a thorough and systematic study of the fuel situation and recurrent shortages experienced throughout Canada. It is composed of permanent members of the Dominion Civil Service and the staff of the Board constitutes a division in the Bureau of Mines and Geology, Department of Mines and Resources. In recent years the policy of the Government has been to extend the market for Canadian coal and to that end financial assistance in the form of subventions has been given to the coal industry since 1928, the Board being responsible for the administration of subvention payments. The amount of coal moved under these assisted rates has increased from 146,126 short tons in 1928 to 2,637,345 tons in 1937. Of the total moved under assisted rates in 1937, 1,908,821 tons were from Nova Scotia and 323,821 tons from Alberta and the Crownsnest district of British Columbia.

Coal Production.—During 1937 there was a further recovery from the low level of 1933. Production was, however, still 9.9 p.c. below that of 1928, the record year. The average price per ton, which had been \$3.63 in 1928, had dropped to \$3.02 in 1933, and was about \$3.08 in 1937. 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 and Manitoba lignite only. The division of the 1937 production among these classes is given in Table 28.

24.—Production of Coal in Canada, by Provinces, calendar years 1911-38.

NOTE.—For annual production from 1874-1910, by provinces, see 1911 Year Book, p. 419.

Year.	Nova Scotia.	New Brunswick.	Manitoba.	Saskatchewan.	Alberta.	British Columbia.	Yukon.	Totals.	
								Quantity.	Value.
	short tons.	short tons.	short tons.	short tons.	short tons.	short tons.	short tons.	short tons.	\$
1911....	7,004,420	55,781	-	206,779	1,511,036	2,542,532	2,840	11,323,398	26,467,646
1912....	7,783,888	44,780	-	225,342	3,240,577	3,208,997	9,245	14,512,829	30,019,044
1913....	7,990,073	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	33,471,801
1915....	7,463,370	127,391	-	240,107	3,360,818	2,065,613	9,724	13,267,023	32,111,182
1916....	6,912,140	143,540	-	281,300	4,559,054	2,584,061	3,300	14,493,395	38,817,451
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	-	346,947	5,972,816	2,368,589	2,900	14,977,926	55,192,896
1919....	5,790,196	166,377	-	379,347	4,933,660	2,649,510	Nil	13,919,096	55,622,670
1920....	6,437,156	171,610	-	335,222	6,907,765	3,095,011	"	16,946,764	82,496,538
1921....	5,734,928	187,192	-	335,632	5,909,217	2,890,291	233	15,057,493	72,451,656
1922....	5,569,072	237,513	-	352,437	5,990,911	2,927,033	465	15,157,431	65,518,497
1923....	6,597,828	276,617	-	438,100	6,854,397	2,823,306	313	16,990,571	72,058,986
1924....	5,557,441	217,121	-	479,118	5,189,729	2,193,667	1,121	13,638,197	53,593,958
1925....	3,842,978	208,012	-	471,965	5,869,031	2,742,252	730	13,134,968	49,261,951
1926....	6,747,477	173,111	-	439,803	6,503,705	2,613,719	316	16,478,131	59,875,094
1927....	7,071,876	208,950	-	470,216	6,934,162	2,746,243	414	17,426,861	61,967,463
1928....	6,743,504	207,738	-	471,713	7,336,330	2,804,594	414	17,584,293	63,757,333
1929....	7,056,133	218,706	-	580,189	7,150,693	2,490,378	458	17,496,557	63,965,170
1930....	6,252,552	209,349	-	579,424	5,755,528	2,083,318	663	14,881,324	52,849,748
1931....	4,955,563	182,181	1,306 ¹	662,836	4,564,015	1,876,406	904	12,243,211	41,207,682
1932....	4,084,581	212,695	1,552	887,139	4,870,648	1,681,490	808	11,738,913	37,117,695
1933....	4,557,590	312,303	3,880	927,649	4,718,788	1,382,272	862	11,903,344	35,923,962
1934....	6,341,625	314,750	4,113	909,288	4,753,810	1,485,969	638	13,810,193	42,045,942
1935....	5,822,075	346,224	3,106	921,755	5,462,894	1,331,287	835	13,388,006	41,963,110
1936....	6,649,102	368,618	4,029	1,020,792	5,696,960	1,489,171	510	15,229,182	45,791,934
1937....	7,256,954	364,714	3,172	1,049,348	5,562,839	1,598,843	84	15,835,954	48,752,049
1938 ²	6,231,923	329,030	2,365	1,017,128	5,227,051	1,440,286	Nil	14,247,783	43,912,204

¹ First reported production from Manitoba.

² Preliminary figures.