

20.—Quantities and Values of Silver Produced in Canada, 1925-41

NOTE.—Figures for the years 1887 to 1910, inclusive, will be found at p. 361 of the 1933 Year Book and for the years 1911 to 1924 at p. 344 of the 1939 edition.

Year	Quantity	Value	Year	Quantity	Value	Year	Quantity	Value
	oz. fine	\$		oz. fine	\$		oz. fine	\$
1925....	20,228,988	13,971,150	1931....	20,562,247	6,141,943	1937....	22,977,751	10,312,644
1926....	22,371,924	13,894,531	1932....	18,347,907	5,811,081	1938....	22,219,195	9,660,239
1927....	22,736,698	12,816,677	1933....	15,187,950	5,746,027	1939....	23,163,629	9,378,490
1928....	21,936,407	12,761,725	1934....	16,415,282	7,790,840	1940....	23,833,752	9,116,172
1929....	23,143,261	12,264,308	1935....	16,618,558	10,767,148	1941 ¹ ...	21,754,798	8,323,603
1930....	26,443,823	10,089,376	1936....	18,334,487	8,273,804			

¹ Preliminary figures.

21.—Production of Silver in Canada, by Provinces, 1926-40

NOTE.—Figures for the years 1887 to 1910, inclusive, will be found at p. 271 of the 1916-17 Year Book and for the years 1911 to 1925 at p. 345 of the 1939 edition. The relatively small quantities of silver produced in Alberta are omitted in this table.

Year	Average Price per fine oz. (Can. funds)	Nova Scotia	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	British Columbia	Yukon	North-west Territories
	cts.	oz. fine	oz. fine	oz. fine	oz. fine	oz. fine	oz. fine	oz. fine	oz. fine
1926....	62·11	112	375,986	9,274,965	18	Nil	10,625,816	2,095,027	—
1927....	56·37	125	740,864	9,307,953	12	"	11,040,445	1,647,295	—
1928....	58·18	77	908,959	7,242,601	1,763	"	10,943,367	2,839,633	—
1929....	52·99	132	813,821	8,890,726	2,644	"	10,156,408	3,279,530	—
1930....	38·15	67	571,164	10,205,683	94,653	"	11,825,930	3,746,326	—
1931....	29·87	48	530,345	7,438,951	836,547	"	8,061,599	3,694,728	—
1932....	31·67	47	628,902	6,335,788	1,036,497	14	7,293,462	3,014,755	38,433 ¹
1933....	37·83	104	471,419	4,535,680	1,101,578	114,604	6,737,057	2,204,237	23,239
1934....	47·46	321	470,254	5,321,160	1,252,920	87,551	8,729,721	515,542	37,778
1935....	64·79	372	668,836	5,161,651	1,256,454	201,608	9,178,400	54,715	146,506
1936....	45·13	107,642	724,339	5,219,366	791,489	642,497	9,748,715	783,416	317,014
1937....	44·88	26,990	908,590	4,693,047	905,179	821,818	11,530,177	3,956,504	135,442
1938....	43·48	988	1,189,495	4,318,837	1,198,315	898,413	11,186,563	2,844,659	581,902
1939....	40·49	173,877	1,167,444	4,689,422	1,028,485	1,141,600	10,648,031	3,830,864	483,874
1940....	38·22	725	1,340,450	5,563,101	1,033,512	1,691,540	11,885,556	2,259,343	59,505

¹ First time reported.

World Production.—The world production of silver was estimated by the Director of the United States Mint, as shown in Table 15 of this chapter, p. 300, at 263,757,569 fine oz. for 1940. The silver production of Canada in 1940 was 23,833,763 fine oz., or 9·0 p.c. of the estimated world total for that year. This placed Canada third, next to Mexico and the United States.

In Table 22 the world production, value and average price of silver are given for each year from 1900 to the present. In spite of the decreasing importance of silver, except in China and India, production has increased due to the fact that silver is a by-product in the mining of other metals.