

17.—Principal Exports of Canadian Produce from Canada to All Countries, the United Kingdom and the United States, 1941 and 1942—concluded

Item	All Countries		United Kingdom		United States	
	1941	1942	1941	1942	1941	1942
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
V. Iron and Its Products						
Machinery.....	16,117	16,148	7,373	2,019	1,744	7,963
Vehicles.....	153,694	328,257	28,680	85,775	487	1,621
Totals, Iron and Its Products².....	239,901	467,121	70,251	120,758	14,246	32,990
VI. Non-Ferrous Metals						
Copper.....	1	1	1	1	1	1
Nickel.....	1	1	1	1	1	1
Precious metals.....	14,027	16,660	1,716	879	11,858	15,776
Zinc.....	1	1	1	1	1	1
Totals, Non-Ferrous Metals².....	244,012	308,903	131,693	117,971	92,275	159,908
VII. Non-Metallic Minerals						
Asbestos.....	1	1	1	1	1	1
Coal and its products.....	4,889	6,551	93	169	3,536	3,913
Totals, Non-Metallic Minerals².....	45,172	56,580	5,043	6,005	32,260	38,851
VIII. Chemicals and Allied Products						
Fertilizers.....	10,284	9,992	19	270	7,239	7,703
Totals, Chemicals and Allied Products².....	58,676	77,333	26,426	31,079	15,451	29,160
IX. Miscellaneous Commodities						
Totals, Miscellaneous Commodities.....	127,869	520,594	83,728	136,167	13,184	155,029
Grand Totals, Exports of Canadian Produce.....	1,621,003	2,363,773	658,228	741,717	599,713	885,523

¹ War-time restrictions preclude the publication of data for 1941 and 1942 but see textual footnote, p. 476.

² Totals include other items not specified.

Subsection 3.—Comparison of the Volume of Imports and Exports

The statistics of the external trade of Canada are analysed in this Subsection to reveal changes in the physical volume of external trade as well as in the dollar value of that trade. Since value figures alone may be somewhat misleading when used to show the physical growth of production and external trade it is desirable to secure a record of the fluctuations in the volume of the country's trade as distinguished from the value thereof. A description of the method used in ascertaining such fluctuations is given at p. 462 of the 1941 Year Book.

In Table 18 the imports and exports for 1940, 1941 and 1942, are first shown at the values at which the trade was recorded; the same imports and exports are then shown at the value they would have had if the average price or unit value had been the same in each year as it was over the average of the years 1935-39. In other words, the figures on the basis of the average values over the base period enable a comparison to be made of the imports or exports for the given years on the basis of variations in quantity only, variations due to different prices having been eliminated. Index numbers of declared values, that is, the total declared values