

25.—Quantities and Values of Asbestos Produced, 1940-49

NOTE.—Figures for the years 1896-1910, inclusive, will be found at p. 424 of the 1911 Year Book; for the years 1911-28 at p. 354 of the 1939 edition; and for 1929-39 at p. 353 of the 1946 edition.

Year	Quantity		Value		Year	Quantity		Value	
	short tons		\$			short tons		\$	
1940.....	346,805	15,619,865	1945.....	466,897	22,805,157				
1941.....	477,846	21,468,840	1946.....	558,181	25,240,562				
1942.....	439,459	22,663,283	1947.....	661,821	33,005,748				
1943.....	467,196	23,169,505	1948.....	716,769	42,231,475				
1944.....	419,265	20,619,516	1949.....	574,906	39,746,072				

Gypsum.—The use of gypsum in the building trades has increased rapidly and Canada has extensive deposits of gypsum favourably situated for commercial developments. Gypsum is exported from Canada in crude form, mainly to the United States, for the manufacture of gypsum products. In 1949 the output of gypsum was 6 p.c. lower in quantity and about 2 p.c. lower in value.

26.—Gypsum Produced, by Provinces, 1940-49

NOTE.—Figures for the years 1926-39 are given at p. 321 of the 1943-44 Year Book.

Year	Nova Scotia		New Brunswick	Ontario	Manitoba	British Columbia	Canada	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Quantity	Quantity	Quantity	Quantity	Value
	tons	\$	tons	tons	tons	tons	tons	\$
1940.....	1,278,204	1,802,347	52,218	75,271	23,108	19,987	1,448,788	2,065,933
1941.....	1,395,172	1,517,297	56,172	90,599	27,601	23,862	1,593,406	2,248,428
1942.....	394,216	512,762	36,623	82,796	29,218	23,313	566,166	1,254,182
1943.....	255,736	368,639	36,263	92,448	37,989	24,412	446,848	1,381,468
1944.....	401,284	489,932	42,040	90,288	38,330	24,222	596,164	1,511,978
1945.....	634,960	790,273	46,755	92,174	42,275	23,617	839,781	1,783,290
1946.....	1,538,738	1,812,815	38,839	122,524	63,187	47,649	1,810,937	3,671,503
1947.....	2,137,704	2,303,275	65,939	155,249	79,356	58,736	2,496,984	4,734,853
1948.....	2,795,848	3,028,646	61,534	182,303	94,698	82,426	3,216,809	5,548,245
1949.....	2,555,795	2,766,005	80,436	203,187	94,918	79,913	3,014,249	5,423,690

Salt.—Salt is obtained from brine wells in the Provinces of Ontario, Manitoba and Alberta, but in Nova Scotia it is recovered by mining rock-salt and by evaporation from brine. Domestic production is sold principally to the dairy, meat-curing and -canning industries, to fisheries, to highways and transport departments, to agriculturists for use as a soil sweetener, to chemical industries, and as table salt. About 50 p.c. of the salt production is used in making caustic soda, soda ash and related chemicals. In 1949, Ontario produced about 80 p.c. of the Canadian total.

27.—Salt Produced, by Provinces, 1940-49

NOTE.—Figures for the years 1926-39 are given at p. 354 of the 1946 Year Book.

Year	Nova Scotia	Ontario	Manitoba	Alberta	Canada	
	tons	tons	tons	tons	tons	\$
1940.....	42,495	412,401	3,076	6,742	464,714	2,823,269
1941.....	54,007	477,170	13,051	16,617	560,845	3,196,165
1942.....	50,199	558,407	22,706	22,360	653,072	3,844,187
1943.....	47,775	594,889	27,523	17,499	687,686	4,379,378
1944.....	38,809	603,806	27,267	25,335	695,217	4,074,021
1945.....	37,825	578,697	27,133	29,421	673,076	4,054,720
1946.....	38,371	441,679	26,166	31,769	537,985	3,626,165
1947.....	40,107	633,766	24,974	29,698	728,545	4,436,930
1948.....	61,799	619,598	25,251	34,613	741,261	4,836,028
1949.....	86,612	607,206	18,734	28,359	749,015 ¹	5,566,725 ¹

¹ Totals for 1949 include 8,103 tons valued at \$144,526 for Saskatchewan.