substantial increase in Newfoundland. Quebec, which is second among the provinces in zinc production, accounted for about 26 p.c. of the Canada total, the output being practically the same as in 1950.

About 65 p.c. of the total zinc is refined in Canada and a considerable tonnage of zinc is recovered at Trail, B.C., from the treatment of imported ores. Output totalled 219,000 tons in 1951 of which about 61,000 tons were shipped to Canada users. Exports of refined zinc totalled 146,000 tons, including 84,000 tons to the United States and 55,000 tons to the United Kingdom. The percentage shipped to the United Kingdom rose to 38 p.c. from 24 p.c. in 1950 while that for the United States dropped to 58 p.c. from 74 p.c.

14.—Quantities and Values of Zinc Produced, 1942-51

Norm.—Figures for the years 1911-28 are given at p. 347 of the 1939 Year Book; for 1929-41 at p. 335 of the 1946 edition.

Year	Quantity ¹	Value	Average Price per lb.	Year	Quantity ¹	Value	Average Price per lb.
	tons	\$	cts.		tons	\$	cts.
1942 1943	290, 129 305, 377 275, 412 258, 607 235, 310	19,792,579 24,430,174 23,685,405 33,308,556 36,755,450	3·411 4·000 4·300 6·440 7·810	1947	288, 262	46,686,010 65,237,956 76,372,147 98,040,145 132,906,483	11·230 13·930 13·247 15·650 19·900

¹ Estimated foreign smelter recoveries and refined zinc produced in Canada.

Subsection 4.—Production of Non-Metallic Minerals (Excluding Fuels)

The most important minerals in this group are asbestos, salt, gypsum and sulphur, but it also includes numerous other items such as feldspar, graphite, iron oxide, magnesitic dolomite, mica, nepheline syenite, peat moss, silica brick, sodium sulphate, soapstone and talc (see Tables 2 and 6).

Asbestos.—The 1951 figures indicate a gain of almost 11 p.c. over 1950 in output of asbestos to 967,000 tons, including 941,000 tons from Quebec and 26,000 tons from Ontario. Except for 1949, when a labour dispute kept the mines idle for an extended period, there has been a remarkable growth in this industry in recent years and further expansion is under way involving expenditures of about \$35,000,000, mostly in Quebec. The Munro mine near Matheson, Ont., has worked at capacity since it started in 1950. At present the Cassian property in British Columbia is being made ready for production.

15.—Quantities and Values of Asbestos Produced, 1942-51

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 1929-41 at p. 353 of the 1946 edition.

Year	Quantity	Value	Year	Quantity	Value
	tons	\$		tons	\$
1942	439,459 467,196 419,265 466,897 558,181	20,619,516 22,805,157	1947. 1948. 1949. 1950. 1951p.	661,821 716,769 574,906 875,344 967,375	33,005,748 42,231,478 39,746,072 65,854,568 78,792,067