

A summary of the industrial statistics of the principal mineral industries operating in Canada in the years 1946 to 1950 is presented in Table 31.

**31.—Principal Statistics of the Mineral Industries, 1946-50**

Industry and Year	Plants or Mines	Em- ployees	Salaries and Wages	Purchased Fuel, Electricity and Process Supplies <sup>1</sup>	Net Value of Shipments <sup>2</sup>
	No.	No.	\$	\$	\$
<b>Metallics</b>					
Alluvial gold.....1946	39	340	1,112,984	155,943	1,693,568
1947	46	458	1,684,449	238,079	1,635,086
1948	47	495	1,603,065	483,149	2,286,413
1949	56	398	1,509,423	579,533	2,920,290
1950	58	411	1,598,875	532,348	3,612,183
Auriferous quartz.....1946	686	21,973	47,211,062	22,080,531	66,342,152
1947	517	22,906	54,612,474	26,398,328	69,727,950
1948	282	22,566	59,515,678	28,277,570	80,386,512
1949	247	22,358	61,293,334	32,970,157	96,580,304
1950	281	22,491	64,533,114	35,204,245	108,840,362
Copper-gold-silver.....1946	43	4,958	10,243,487	16,870,567	37,433,982
1947	32	5,220	13,149,093	18,125,109	52,173,584
1948	37	6,401	17,919,526	22,178,942	85,652,206
1949	33	7,395	21,776,150	31,402,838	74,591,660
1950	56	7,554	23,489,366	38,671,894	83,181,924
Silver-cobalt.....1946	11	247	404,012	118,363	207,483
1947	12	183	359,963	90,374	253,563
1948	17	172	413,095	177,653	321,415
1949	18	264	607,782	319,309	503,572
1950	20	364	883,281	631,933	2,308,213
Silver-lead-zinc.....1946	31	2,451	5,987,111	9,079,895	39,262,606
1947	62	3,240	8,304,915	18,262,337	59,862,251
1948	84	4,040	11,421,086	22,925,228	85,993,977
1949	111	5,438	15,676,043	33,241,764	67,108,165
1950	112	5,939	17,632,755	36,872,621	85,845,870
Nickel-copper.....1946	9	4,439	10,166,680	5,332,956	34,960,264
1947	24	6,144	15,685,963	8,284,711	46,211,129
1948	15	6,920	20,492,920	5,976,740	50,976,280
1949	11	7,053	22,517,855	6,981,288	45,963,772
1950	10	7,713	25,313,838	7,914,476	46,028,054
Miscellaneous metals.....1946	21	1,037	2,338,442	3,479,336	3,708,109
1947	19	1,183	2,970,903	4,472,117	5,710,222
1948	26	1,296	3,878,527	4,100,667	4,624,994
1949	21	3,275	8,894,642	5,776,330	15,689,997
1950	16	3,225	8,578,969	8,538,649	15,108,311
Smelting and refining.....1946	15	14,546	30,648,361	235,152,602	69,565,922
1947	16	17,449	40,767,871	337,235,290	115,798,652
1948	16	19,701	52,276,837	429,553,076	146,830,891
1949	16	19,150	55,133,065	417,280,288	181,907,847
1950	17	19,863	58,748,362	447,171,025	202,711,781
<b>Totals, Metallics.....1946</b>	<b>855</b>	<b>49,991</b>	<b>108,112,139</b>	<b>292,270,193</b>	<b>253,174,086</b>
1947	728	56,783	137,535,631	413,106,345	351,372,437
1948	524	61,591	167,520,734	513,671,025	457,072,688
1949	513	65,331	187,408,294	528,551,507	485,265,607
1950	570	67,560	200,778,560	575,537,191	547,636,698
<b>Non-Metallics (Excluding Fuels)</b>					
Asbestos.....1946	12	4,547	7,771,921	4,975,892	20,269,687
1947	12	4,885	9,165,450	6,824,465	26,191,500
1948	15	4,959	12,136,615	7,856,902	34,421,819
1949	17	4,053	10,569,071	6,168,308	33,616,343
1950	19	5,552	15,848,829	10,267,587	55,640,809