

## Section 6.—World Production of Certain Metallic Minerals and Fuels

Table 32 shows the production of certain metallic minerals and fuels in the different countries of the world for the year 1955. These figures are taken from the *United Nations Statistical Yearbook 1956* which presents production figures for 1936-55 for a much more extensive list of mining and quarrying industries. The 1955 figures are provisional and have been converted from kilograms to ounces troy for gold and from metric tons to short tons for the other metals and fuels shown.

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NOTE.—Dashes are given in this table where no figures were shown in the *United Nations Statistical Yearbook* either because there was no production or because the quantity was not available.

| Country                       | Gold               | Silver               | Copper             | Iron                 | Lead              | Zinc              | Coal                  | Crude Petroleum      |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|--------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
|                               | '000 oz. t.        | '000 oz. t.          | '000 tons          | '000 tons            | '000 tons         | '000 tons         | '000 tons             | '000 tons            |
| Algeria.....                  | —                  | —                    | —                  | 2,061.3              | 11.2              | 34.2              | 332.9                 | 63.2                 |
| Angola.....                   | —                  | —                    | 3.2                | —                    | —                 | —                 | —                     | —                    |
| Argentina.....                | —                  | —                    | —                  | —                    | 29.5              | 23.4              | 147.0                 | 4,811.6              |
| Australia.....                | 1,049.0            | —                    | 45.3               | 2,580.5              | 318.7             | 287.2             | 21,608.6              | —                    |
| Austria.....                  | —                  | —                    | 3.0                | 975.5                | 6.1               | 7.8               | 188.5                 | 4,040.0              |
| Bahrain.....                  | —                  | —                    | —                  | —                    | —                 | —                 | —                     | 1,655.7              |
| Bechuanaland.....             | 0.5                | —                    | —                  | —                    | —                 | —                 | —                     | —                    |
| Belgian Congo.....            | 369.9 <sup>1</sup> | 4,083.1              | 258.7 <sup>2</sup> | —                    | 0.1               | 74.7              | 529.1                 | —                    |
| Belgium.....                  | —                  | —                    | —                  | 40.8                 | —                 | —                 | 33,045.1              | —                    |
| Bolivia.....                  | 73.8 <sup>3</sup>  | 5,915.7 <sup>3</sup> | 3.9 <sup>3</sup>   | —                    | 21.1 <sup>3</sup> | 23.5 <sup>3</sup> | —                     | 386.9                |
| Brazil.....                   | 78.1               | —                    | —                  | —                    | —                 | —                 | 2,485.7               | 280.1                |
| British Guiana.....           | 22.7               | —                    | —                  | —                    | —                 | —                 | —                     | —                    |
| British West Africa.....      | —                  | 38.6 <sup>3,4</sup>  | —                  | —                    | —                 | —                 | —                     | —                    |
| Brunei.....                   | —                  | —                    | —                  | —                    | —                 | —                 | —                     | 5,722.1              |
| Bulgaria.....                 | —                  | —                    | —                  | 77.2                 | —                 | —                 | 323.0                 | —                    |
| Burma.....                    | —                  | 1,536.8              | 0.4                | 4.4                  | 31.4              | 16.2              | —                     | 234.8                |
| Cameroons, French.....        | 0.5                | —                    | —                  | —                    | —                 | —                 | —                     | —                    |
| Canada.....                   | 4,542.0            | 27,723.6             | 324.6              | 9,557.0 <sup>5</sup> | 194.0             | 426.9             | 12,524.5              | 19,187.9             |
| Chile.....                    | 122.9              | 1,713.6              | 477.9              | 1,541.0              | 3.7               | 3.1               | 2,544.1 <sup>6</sup>  | 370.4                |
| China (Taiwan only).....      | 28.1               | —                    | —                  | —                    | —                 | —                 | 2,600.4 <sup>7</sup>  | 3.5                  |
| Colombia.....                 | 380.8              | 112.5                | —                  | —                    | —                 | —                 | 2,039.3               | 6,055.0 <sup>8</sup> |
| Cuba.....                     | —                  | —                    | 19.3               | 20.9                 | —                 | —                 | —                     | 3.5                  |
| Cyprus.....                   | —                  | —                    | 29.5               | —                    | —                 | —                 | —                     | —                    |
| Czechoslovakia.....           | —                  | —                    | —                  | 859.8                | —                 | —                 | 24,361.1              | —                    |
| Ecuador.....                  | 15.3               | 48.2                 | —                  | —                    | 0.1               | —                 | —                     | 513.7                |
| Egypt.....                    | —                  | —                    | —                  | —                    | —                 | —                 | —                     | 2,007.3 <sup>9</sup> |
| El Salvador.....              | 3.9 <sup>3</sup>   | —                    | —                  | —                    | —                 | —                 | —                     | —                    |
| Fiji.....                     | 75.0               | —                    | —                  | —                    | —                 | —                 | —                     | —                    |
| Finland.....                  | 18.8               | 225.1                | 25.7               | —                    | 1.1               | 24.3              | —                     | —                    |
| France.....                   | 2.8                | 1,659.0              | —                  | 18,022.8             | 9.5               | 11.2              | 80,098.3 <sup>9</sup> | 975.5                |
| French Equatorial Africa..... | 46.6               | —                    | —                  | —                    | 3.6               | —                 | —                     | —                    |
| French Guiana.....            | 8.7                | —                    | —                  | —                    | —                 | —                 | —                     | —                    |
| French West Africa.....       | 0.2                | —                    | —                  | 362.7                | —                 | —                 | —                     | —                    |
| Germany—                      | —                  | —                    | —                  | —                    | —                 | —                 | —                     | —                    |
| East Germany.....             | —                  | —                    | —                  | —                    | —                 | —                 | 3,196.7               | —                    |
| West Germany.....             | —                  | —                    | 1.3                | 4,116.0              | 74.3              | 101.5             | 145,296.7             | 3,469.0              |
| Gold Coast (now Ghana).....   | 687.2              | —                    | —                  | —                    | —                 | —                 | —                     | —                    |
| Greece.....                   | —                  | 77.2                 | —                  | 104.7                | 5.5               | 9.9               | —                     | —                    |
| Guatemala.....                | —                  | —                    | —                  | —                    | 7.0               | 10.2              | —                     | —                    |
| Honduras.....                 | 0.8 <sup>3</sup>   | 1,958.0 <sup>3</sup> | —                  | —                    | 2.0               | —                 | —                     | —                    |
| Hong Kong.....                | —                  | —                    | —                  | 58.4                 | —                 | —                 | —                     | —                    |
| Hungary.....                  | —                  | —                    | —                  | 121.3                | —                 | —                 | 2,967.4               | 1,764.8              |
| India.....                    | 211.5              | 131.8                | —                  | 2,910.1              | —                 | —                 | 42,798.3              | 12,996.2             |
| Indonesia.....                | —                  | —                    | —                  | —                    | —                 | —                 | 897.3                 | 18,816.4             |
| Iran.....                     | —                  | —                    | —                  | —                    | —                 | —                 | 277.8                 | 37,194.2             |
| Iraq.....                     | —                  | —                    | —                  | —                    | —                 | —                 | —                     | —                    |
| Ireland.....                  | —                  | —                    | —                  | —                    | —                 | —                 | 218.3                 | —                    |
| Italy.....                    | 5.6                | 858.4                | 0.4                | 761.7                | 56.0              | 129.4             | 1,251.1               | 225.6                |
| Japan.....                    | 288.7              | 7,311.1              | 80.5               | 942.5                | 28.9              | 119.8             | 46,763.3              | 384.7                |
| Kenya.....                    | 12.3 <sup>3</sup>  | —                    | —                  | —                    | —                 | —                 | —                     | —                    |
| Korea (South).....            | 47.7               | 80.4                 | 0.9                | 15.4                 | 0.9               | —                 | 1,433.0               | 61,749.3             |
| Kuwait.....                   | —                  | —                    | —                  | —                    | —                 | —                 | —                     | —                    |
| Liberia.....                  | —                  | —                    | —                  | 1,282.0              | —                 | —                 | —                     | —                    |
| Luxembourg.....               | —                  | —                    | —                  | 2,381.0              | —                 | —                 | —                     | —                    |
| Madagascar.....               | 1.0                | —                    | —                  | —                    | —                 | —                 | —                     | —                    |
| Malaya, Federation of.....    | 20.5               | —                    | —                  | 1,050.5              | —                 | —                 | —                     | —                    |
| Mexico.....                   | 382.9              | 47,968.9             | 60.3               | 472.9                | 232.4             | 297.0             | 1,479.3               | 14,099.7             |

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