

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 1956. These figures are taken from the *United Nations Statistical Yearbook 1957* which presents production figures for 1937-56 for a much more extensive list of mining and quarrying industries. The 1956 figures are provisional and have been converted from kilograms to ounces troy for gold, from metric tons to ounces troy for silver, and from metric tons to short tons for the other metals and fuels shown.

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NOTE.—Where dashes occur throughout this table they indicate that no figures were given 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.....	—	—	—	1,480.4	11.5	33.6	327.4	36.8
Angola.....	—	—	4.5	—	—	—	—	—
Argentina.....	11.4	1,607.5	—	—	32.2	23.9	167.7	4,891.0
Australia.....	1,031.0	14,586.8	59.0	2,848.4	333.7	311.4	21,608.6	3,777.6
Austria.....	—	—	2.8	1,123.3	6.0	7.8	183.0	1,660.1
Bahrain.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bechuanaland.....	0.6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Belgian Congo.....	373.9 ¹	3,697.3	275.6 ²	—	—	129.5	463.0	—
Belgium.....	—	—	—	55.1	—	—	32,578.8	—
Bolivia.....	24.1 ³	7,359.3 ³	5.1 ³	—	23.8 ³	18.8 ³	—	459.3
Brazil.....	—	—	—	2,285.1	—	—	2,461.5	877.5
British Guiana.....	15.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
British West Africa (Nigeria, Ghana and Sierra Leone).....	—	32.2 ³	—	—	—	—	—	—
Brunei.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6,190.6
Bulgaria.....	—	—	6.2	115.7	67.2	53.2	407.9	—
Burma.....	—	1,366.4	0.4	4.4	31.9	16.1	—	254.6
Cameroons, French.....	0.4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Canada.....	4,678.4	28,794.2	353.3	12,390.0 ⁴	186.6	423.6	12,574.1	25,409.4
Chile.....	94.5	1,822.9	539.8	1,833.1	—	—	2,511.1	508.9
China (Taiwan only).....	33.1	—	—	—	—	—	2,787.7	2.9
Colombia.....	438.3	109.3	—	—	—	—	2,094.4	6,728.5 ⁵
Cuba.....	—	—	16.1	99.2	—	—	—	41.9 ⁶
Cyprus.....	—	—	35.7	—	—	—	—	—
Czechoslovakia.....	—	—	—	841.1	—	—	25,806.2	—
Ecuador.....	15.1	28.9	—	—	—	—	—	497.1
Egypt.....	7.7	—	—	—	—	—	—	1,899.3 ⁴
El Salvador.....	3.0	160.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
Fiji.....	66.7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Finland.....	18.2	318.3	25.1	—	2.1	52.7	—	—
France.....	0.5	1,241.0	—	18,871.6	9.3	12.8	60,769.3	1,392.9
French Equatorial Africa.....	40.7	—	—	—	3.3	—	—	—
French Guiana.....	5.2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
French West Africa.....	0.5	—	—	469.6	—	—	—	—
Ghana.....	638.0	7	—	—	—	—	—	—
Germany—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
East Germany.....	—	—	—	500.4	—	—	3,023.6	—
West Germany.....	—	—	1.1	4,367.4	72.1	101.9	149,491.0	3,864.7
Saar.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	18,838.5	—
Greece.....	—	80.4	—	218.3	9.9	—	—	—
Honduras.....	1.6 ³	3.2 ³	—	—	2.3	—	—	—
Hong Kong.....	—	—	—	61.7	—	—	—	—
Hungary.....	—	—	—	108.0	—	—	2,613.6	1,325.0
India.....	209.3	106.1	10.8	3,235.3	3.2	3.9	44,166.3	—
Indonesia.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	912.7	14,032.4
Iran.....	—	—	5.6	—	34.8	—	363.8	29,190.3
Iraq.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	34,526.6
Ireland.....	—	—	—	—	3.0	—	238.1	—
Italy.....	5.3	1,035.3	0.4	919.3	55.7	131.7	1,188.3	625.3
Japan.....	295.3	6,131.1	86.5	1,211.4	32.5	135.6	51,318.1	380.3
Kenya.....	13.9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

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