

account. The subsequent development of the gold mining industry in Canada resulted in gold refining becoming one of the principal activities of the Mint. Fine gold produced from the rough bullion shipments received from the mines is purchased by the Mint and later delivered to the Bank of Canada for account of the Minister of Finance in bars of approximately 400 oz. t. each or, for those mines authorized to sell gold in the open market, the bullion is shipped to various domestic and foreign processors. The fine silver extracted from the rough gold is generally used for coinage purposes.

5.—Annual Receipts of Gold Bullion at the Royal Canadian Mint and Bullion and Coinage Issued, 1949-58

NOTE.—Figures from 1926 are given in the corresponding table of previous Year Books beginning with the 1946 edition.

Year	Gold Bullion Received	Gold Bullion Issued	Silver Coin Issued	Nickel Coin Issued	Steel Coin Issued	Bronze Coin Issued
	oz. t.	oz. t.	\$	\$	\$	\$
1949.....	3,925,618	3,865,296	4,148,842	637,500	—	321,901
1950.....	4,422,968	4,347,961	5,641,805	640,510	—	607,003
1951.....	4,169,480	4,167,485	5,213,677	423,003	182,829	783,329
1952.....	3,953,158	4,031,063	4,869,552	597	576,965	683,820
1953.....	3,684,074	3,626,497	6,138,686	234	831,915	655,130
1954.....	3,829,431	3,998,836	1,864,968	27	350,229	263,897
1955.....	3,947,637	3,952,764	4,269,157	267,801	—	566,863
1956.....	3,801,789	3,774,599	5,389,464	469,993	—	786,855
1957.....	3,896,084	3,776,711	6,236,429	366,493	—	1,004,221
1958.....	3,958,459	4,088,706	8,044,753	379,616	—	578,274

Subsection 2.—Canadian Dollar Currency and Bank Deposits Held by the General Public

Bank of Canada statistics concerning the dollar currency and bank deposits held by the general public are given in Table 6.

6.—Canadian Dollar Currency and Chartered Bank Deposits, as at Dec. 31, 1949-58

(Millions of dollars)

As at Dec. 31—	Currency Outside Banks			Chartered Bank Deposits				Total Currency and Chartered Bank Deposits ¹		
	Notes	Coin	Total	Personal Savings Deposits ²	Government of Canada Deposits	Other Deposits ^{1, 2}	Total ¹	Total Including Government Deposits	Held by General Public	
									Including Personal Savings Deposits	Excluding Personal Savings Deposits ²
1949.....	1,110	74	1,184	4,086	164	2,776	7,026	8,210	8,046	3,960
1950.....	1,136	78	1,214	4,176	257	3,116	7,549	8,763	8,506	4,330
1951.....	1,191	84	1,275	4,296	88	3,100	7,484	8,759	8,671	4,375
1952.....	1,289	88	1,377	4,600	49	3,281	7,930	9,307	9,258	4,658
1953.....	1,335	94	1,430	4,756	473	3,130	8,359	9,789	9,316	4,560
1954.....	1,362	96	1,458	5,218	176	3,462	8,856	10,314	10,137	4,920
1955.....	1,449	101	1,550	5,633	517	3,697	9,847	11,397	10,880	5,248
1956.....	1,498	108	1,605	6,007	246	3,580	9,833	11,438	11,192	5,185
1957.....	1,555	112	1,667	6,108 ²	423	3,725 ²	10,256	11,923	11,500	5,392 ²
1958.....	1,660	121	1,781	6,844	319	4,303	11,466	13,247	12,927	6,084

¹ Less total float, i.e., cheques and other items in transit. ² The deposit balances of religious, educational and welfare institutions and personal accounts used mainly for business purposes were reclassified from "personal savings deposits" to "other notice deposits" as at Sept. 30, 1957, in the returns of the banks to the Department of Finance; from that date the figures are thus not comparable with those for previous years. The amount of deposits reclassified was approximately \$140,000,000.