Ontario again led the provinces in mineral output, producing 40.3 p.c. of the total in 1959 and increasing its contribution from 37.6 p.c. in 1958 and 34.2 p.c. in 1957. The value rate of increase within the province was 22.9 p.c. in 1959 compared with 5.4 p.c. in 1958 and 16.8 p.c. in 1957. The greatest gains in value were made by copper, which rose by 54.5 p.c., nickel which increased by 35.7 p.c., iron ore by 31.6 p.c. and uranium by 25.1 p.c. Quebec remained in second place, advancing its contribution to 18.1 p.c. of the total Canadian output from 17.5 p.c. in 1958 mainly as a result of higher production of iron ore and copper. Alberta followed in third place with 15.8 p.c. of the total, a slightly lower proportion than its 16.0 p.c. in 1958. The increase in value of output in the province amounted to 9.3 p.c., mainly contributed by the fuels. Saskatchewan continued in fourth place, although its contribution declined from 10.1 p.c. of the total in 1958 to 8.9 p.c. in 1959. The value of uranium output dropped somewhat in this province but the decrease was more than compensated for by increases in oil, gas and coal as well as by the addition of the first production of potash. Value of production for the province was therefore 1.8 p.c. higher than in 1958. British Columbia's share of the total at 6.6 p.c. was also lower in 1959, its output increasing only 4.1 p.c. Moderately higher values of most minerals were offset by decreases in gold, lead, nickel, tungsten and coal.

Newfoundland's contribution to the total Canadian output remained at 3.0 p.c. in 1959, although the province recorded a 11.1-p.c. gain contributed mainly by iron ore, copper and structural materials. Value of mineral output in Manitoba moved only moderately upward—by 1.4 p.c. In that province increases in zinc and copper were offset to some extent by a decrease in gold. In New Brunswick value of output increased by 13.0 p.c.; metal production ceased entirely but the value of coal and structural materials advanced considerably. As stated above, Nova Scotia and the Northwest Territories showed the only over-all decreases in value of mineral output in 1959 as compared with 1958. In the latest year, Nova Scotia contributed 2.5 p.c. of the Canadian total and the Northwest Territories 1.5 p.c.

5.—Value of Mineral Production, by Province, 1950-59

Note.—Figures from 1899 are given in the corresponding table of previous Year Books beginning with the 1933 edition.

Year	New- foundland	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1950.	25,824,047	59,482,173	12,756,975	220, 176, 517	366,801,525	32,691,173
1951.	32,410,443	59,727,256	9,564,617	255, 530, 071	444,667,203	30,045,992
1952.	32,512,313	64,552,383	11,298,960	270, 483, 962	444,669,412	25,105,045
1953.	33,780,622	67,364,408	11,663,618	251, 881, 781	465,877,093	25,264,112
1954.	42,898,033	73,450,898	12,468,322	278, 818, 070	496,747,571	35,106,922
1955	68, 462, 956	67,133,539	15,759,744	357,010,045	583,954,682	62,018,231
	84, 349, 006	66,092,274	18,258,302	422,464,410	650,823,362	67,909,407
	82, 682, 263	68,058,743	23,120,689	406,055,757	748,824,322	63,464,285
	64, 994, 754	62,706,891	16,275,971	365,706,489	789,601,868	57,217,569
	72, 306, 838	59,485,519	18,390,985	432,819,808	962,757,451	58,066,665
	Saskat- chewan	Alberta	British Columbia	Northwest Territories	Yukon Territory	Canada
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1950	35,983,923	135,758,940	138,888,205	8,050,899	9,035,696	1,045,450,073
	51,032,953	168,144,211	176,278,932	8,288,747	9,793,170	1,245,483,595
	49,506,094	196,811,654	170,071,244	8,944,835	11,386,451	1,285,342,353
	48,081,970	248,863,295	158,487,812	10,300,230	14,738,562	1,336,303,503
	68,216,009	279,042,735	158,630,867	26,414,000	16,588,664	1,488,382,091
1955.	85, 150, 128	325,974,326	189, 524, 574	25,597,821	14,724,750	1,795,310,796
1956.	122, 744, 698	411,171,898	203, 277, 828	22,157,935	15,656,434	2,084,905,554
1957.	173, 461, 037	410,211,763	178, 931, 120	21,400,615	14,111,798	2,190,322,392
1958.	209, 940, 966	345,939,248	151, 149, 136	24,895,390	12,310,756	2,100,739,038
1959P.	213, 743, 508	378,142,642	157, 281, 488	24,266,817	12,421,558	2,389,683,279