

Subsection 2.—Provincial Distribution of Mineral Production

Changes in provincial mineral production in 1962 compared with 1961 varied across Canada. The major advance was shown by Alberta where large increases in the output of natural gas, natural gas by-products and petroleum as well as a substantial increase in the output of sulphur were mainly responsible for an increase of \$105,300,000 in total value of production. Quebec's total advanced by \$63,600,000 as a result of much greater shipments of iron ore and higher production of other base metals. Larger shipments of nickel from the new Thompson development were mainly responsible for the increase of \$58,500,000 experienced by Manitoba. In British Columbia, substantial increases in the value of output of copper, iron ore, natural gas and crude petroleum more than counterbalanced decreases in other minerals, resulting in an advance of some \$41,000,000. Saskatchewan's first production of potash and an increased output of crude petroleum advanced the value of its total output to the extent of about \$20,600,000. Only Ontario among the provinces showed a reduction in value of output, the decrease amounting to about \$41,500,000. This was more than accounted for by lower shipments of nickel as a result of a production cut-back in the latter part of the year and by the expected drop in the output of uranium. Increases in the Atlantic Provinces and the Yukon Territory were moderate but the Northwest Territories recorded a slight decrease as a result of the closing of the Rankin nickel mine.

In 1962, Ontario produced 31.7 p.c. of the total value of the mineral output of the country compared with 36.5 p.c. in 1961 and 39.4 p.c. in 1960. Total value of production in the province dropped by nearly 9 p.c. in the two latest years. Alberta, which moved to second place in 1961, produced 20.4 p.c. of the nation's output in 1962 compared with 18.3 p.c. and 15.9 p.c., respectively, in the two preceding years. Quebec, in third place, recorded an advance of over 11 p.c. in value of output in 1962 and produced 18.3 p.c. of the nation's total compared with 17.6 p.c. in 1961 and 17.9 p.c. in 1960. Saskatchewan, British Columbia and Manitoba followed Quebec in value of mineral output in 1962, producing, respectively, 8.3 p.c., 8.1 p.c. and 5.6 p.c. of the Canadian total; Manitoba's share increased from 3.9 p.c. in 1961 and 2.4 p.c. in 1960. In 1962, Newfoundland produced 3.5 p.c. of the Canadian total and the Maritime Provinces together produced 3.1 p.c., not greatly changed from previous years.

8.—Value of Mineral Production, by Province, 1953-62

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

Year	Newfoundland	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
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
1956.....	84,349,006	—	66,092,274	18,258,302	422,464,410	650,823,362	67,909,407
1957.....	82,682,263	—	68,058,743	23,120,689	406,055,757	748,824,322	63,464,285
1958.....	64,994,754	—	62,706,891	16,275,971	365,703,489	789,601,868	57,217,569
1959.....	72,156,996	4,559,171	62,879,647	18,133,290	440,897,186	970,762,201	55,512,410
1960.....	86,637,123	1,172,587	65,453,531	17,072,739	446,202,726	983,104,412	58,702,697
1961.....	91,618,709	606,644	61,693,156	18,804,385	455,522,933	943,669,456	101,489,787
1962.....	98,261,813	796,043	62,859,039	24,904,991	519,145,596	902,133,708	159,038,359
	Saskatchewan	Alberta	British Columbia	Northwest Territories	Yukon Territory	Canada	
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
1953.....	48,081,970	248,863,295	158,487,812	10,300,230	14,738,562	1,336,303,503	
1954.....	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	
1959.....	210,042,051	376,215,593	159,395,092	25,874,496	12,592,378	2,409,020,511	
1960.....	212,093,225	395,344,010	186,261,646	27,135,087	13,330,198	2,492,509,981	
1961.....	215,977,233	473,480,540	188,542,078	18,145,162	12,750,304	2,582,300,387	
1962.....	236,577,640	578,821,732	229,427,347	17,701,145	13,316,782	2,842,984,195	