

7.—Percentage of the Total Value Contributed by Principal Minerals, 1955-64—concluded

Mineral	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964 ^a
	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.
Non-metallics¹	8.1	7.7	7.7	7.2	7.4	7.9	8.2	7.6	8.3	8.4
Asbestos	5.4	4.8	4.8	4.4	4.5	4.9	5.0	4.6	4.5	4.4
Gypsum	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4
Potash	—	—	—	—	0.1	—	—	0.1	0.7	0.9
Quartz	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Salt	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7
Sodium sulphate	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2
Sulphur in smelter gas	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Sulphur, elemental	—	—	—	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.5
Titanium dioxide, etc.	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.4	0.5	0.6
Fuels	23.1	24.9	25.8	24.3	22.2	22.7 ¹	25.3 ¹	27.4 ¹	29.8 ¹	29.6 ¹
Coal	5.2	4.6	4.1	3.8	3.1	3.0	2.7	2.4	2.4	2.1
Natural gas	0.9	0.8	1.0	1.5	1.6	2.1	2.6	3.8	4.9	5.4
Petroleum	17.0	19.5	20.7	19.0	17.5	17.0	18.9	19.4	20.2	19.9
Structural Materials	12.7	12.4	13.6	14.7	13.5	12.9	12.8	12.5	12.4	11.8
Clay products	2.0	1.8	1.6	2.0	1.8	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.2
Cement	3.6	3.6	4.3	4.6	4.0	3.7	4.0	4.0	3.9	3.9
Lime	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6
Sand and gravel	3.8	3.9	4.2	4.6	4.3	4.5	4.1	4.2	4.0	3.6
Stone	2.4	2.3	2.7	2.6	2.5	2.4	2.6	2.4	2.6	2.5
Grand Totals	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

¹ Includes minor items not specified.

In terms of 1949 production equalling 100,* mineral production in 1964 reached an all-time high of 326.5, a gain of 10.9 p.c. from the previous high recorded in 1963. Major contributors to the gain were crude petroleum, zinc and iron ore.† Gains of lesser importance were recorded by natural gas, asbestos, copper and nickel. Declines occurred in lead, gold and 'other' metals (including uranium).

* For a description of this index, as well as one for manufacturing and electric power and gas utilities, see DBS Reference Paper *Revised Index of Industrial Production, 1935-1957 (1949=100)* (Catalogue No. 61-502). To update these series and others in the Index of Industrial Production, see DBS monthly report *Index of Industrial Production (1949=100)* (Catalogue No. 61-005).

† See also footnote ², Table 8.

8.—Quantity Indexes of Production of the Principal Mining Industries, 1955-64

(1949=100)

Mineral	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964 ^a
Metallics	142.7	151.0	170.0	180.3	201.3	197.9	191.7	197.7	193.8	210.7
Copper ¹	123.7	135.2	137.1	131.8	151.6	168.7	169.5	176.7	174.0	186.4
Gold ¹	110.2	107.9	106.7	109.7	108.4	111.2	107.1	100.1	95.5	91.0
Nickel ¹	135.9	139.0	146.8	110.2	144.8	166.9	183.8	184.2	171.0	181.2
Iron ore	316.5	418.6	462.6	321.5	448.9	406.3	504.7	632.5	670.8	834.2
Non-metallics	180.2	187.6	179.0	170.9	191.4	192.6	211.7	222.5	228.1	324.9 ²
Asbestos	191.9	188.4	184.3	178.3	193.5	201.4	223.4	234.1	239.1	259.9
Fuels	273.2	344.7	358.2	329.5	363.1	380.2	430.7	480.8	513.6	554.7
Coal	74.1	74.6	65.4	56.7	51.9	53.3	49.9	48.8	52.0	55.1
Natural gas	204.5	235.0	295.1	401.6	503.9	589.2	712.0	1,005.7	1,179.8	1,382.3
Petroleum	616.8	812.7	859.5	782.6	873.7	909.9	1,043.7	1,154.0	1,221.6	1,300.8
Total Mining	185.2	212.3	227.8	227.0	251.1	253.3	266.9	287.4	294.4	326.5

¹ Based on commodity data, years.

² Includes potash for the first time and is not comparable with preceding years.