

In Quebec zinc production decreased 5% to 155,259 tons. Mining companies associated with Noranda Mines, Limited produced most of the zinc in Quebec. Mattagami Lake Mines Limited, the largest producer, mined 92,997 tons in 1973. Lake Dufault Division of Falconbridge Copper Limited produced 18,975 tons of zinc in its second full year of production at the Millenbach mine. Manitou-Barvue Mines Limited, which resumed operations at its Val d'Or mine in 1972, increased production in 1973. A relatively small amount of lead was produced in Quebec.

In Ontario zinc production increased 15.6% to 456,364 tons. Ecstall Mining Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Texas Gulf, Inc., operates Canada's largest zinc mine at Timmins. Production from the underground mine commenced in December 1972 and will increase until 1977 when open-pit mining operations are terminated. Geco Mines Limited recorded a substantial drop in production because of a two-month strike. Mattabi Mines Limited had its first full year of operation in 1973. Lynx-Canada Explorations Limited opened a small zinc