

The per capita consumption in 1909, based on an estimate of the population made by the Census Office, was approximately 2.599 tons; this is somewhat less than the per capita consumption of the two previous years. During the past twenty-three years, however, the consumption has increased from a little over three-quarters of a ton per head of population in 1886, having doubled in 1900, and reached its highest point of 2.946 tons in 1907. The consumption in Canada, however, is still small when compared with that of the United States, where the production has reached a total of about 5 tons per capita.

Consumption of Coal in Canada, 1908-9.

	1908.		1909.	
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
Production, Table 3.....	10,886,311	.....	10,501,475	.....
Exports of Canada, Table 4.....	1,729,833	.....	1,688,099	.....
Home consumption of Canadian coal.....	.....	9,156,478	.....	8,913,376
Imports, Table 6.....	10,297,405	.....	9,872,924	.....
Exports not produce of Canada, Table 4.....	102,071	.....	161,098	.....
Canadian consumption of imported coal.....	.....	10,195,424	.....	9,711,826
Total consumption of coal in Canada.....	.....	19,351,902	.....	18,625,202

COAL.—TABLE 7.

Consumption of Coal in Canada, 1886-1909.

Calendar Year.	Canadian.	Imported.	Total.	Percentage Canadian.	Percentage Imported.	Consumption per capita
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.			Tons.
1886.....	1,595,950	1,884,161	3,480,111	45.9	54.1	0.758
1887.....	1,848,365	2,192,260	4,040,625	45.7	54.3	0.871
1888.....	2,013,925	3,314,353	5,328,278	37.8	62.2	1.137
1889.....	1,992,988	2,490,931	4,483,919	44.4	55.6	0.946
1890.....	2,360,196	2,581,187	4,941,383	47.8	52.2	1.031
1891.....	2,606,496	2,980,222	5,586,712	46.7	53.3	1.153
1892.....	2,464,012	3,082,429	5,546,441	44.4	55.6	1.133
1893.....	2,823,187	3,110,462	5,933,649	47.6	52.4	1.198
1894.....	2,743,376	2,917,818	5,661,194	48.5	51.5	1.130
1895.....	2,467,109	2,933,752	5,400,861	45.7	54.3	1.066
1896.....	2,639,055	3,206,456	5,845,511	45.1	54.9	1.140
1897.....	2,799,977	3,124,485	5,924,462	47.3	52.7	1.143
1898.....	3,023,079	3,274,981	6,298,060	48.0	52.0	1.200
1899.....	3,631,882	4,092,361	7,724,243	47.0	53.0	1.454
1900.....	3,989,542	4,361,563	8,351,105	47.8	52.2	1.561
1901.....	4,912,664	4,810,213	9,722,877	50.5	49.5	1.810
1902.....	5,376,413	5,165,938	10,542,351	51.0	49.0	1.927
1903.....	6,005,735	5,491,870	11,507,605	52.2	47.8	2.055
1904.....	6,697,183	6,909,651	13,606,834	49.2	50.8	2.346
1905.....	7,032,661	7,343,880	14,376,541	48.9	51.1	2.396
1906.....	7,927,560	7,398,906	15,326,466	51.7	48.3	2
1907.....	8,617,352	10,549,503	19,166,855	45.0	55.0	2
1908.....	9,156,478	10,195,424	19,351,902	47.3	52.7	2
1909.....	8,913,376	9,711,826	18,625,202	47.9	52.1	2.5