Exports* of Iron Ore from the United States to Canada.

Year ending June 30.	Short tons.	Value.	Average value.	Year ending June 30.	Short tons.	Value.	Average value.
1896	1,270	$ 4,042	$ 3.18	1906	254,399	$ 608,029	$ 2.39
1897	10,942	34,168	3.12	1907	266,103	670,995	2.52
1898	12,921	34,224	2.65	1908	327,918	880,197	2.68
1899	33,598	60,497	1.80	1909	449,755	1,264,048	2.81
1900	45,237	78,542	1.74	1910	609,617	1,636,917	2.69
1901	67,994	175,689	2.58	1911	826,071	2,496,246	3.02
1902	76,457	178,107	2.45	1912	931,647	2,806,218	3.01
1903	86,258	264,755	3.07	1913	1,367,928	3,684,211	2.69
1904	92,577	252,254	2.72	1914	1,125,090	3,401,146	3.02
1905	264,214	529,454	2.00	1915	455,86[illegible]	1,277,847	2.80

* Compiled from the "Foreign Commerce and Navigation of the United States."

Annual Shipments of Iron Ore from Wabana Mines, Newfoundland.

Calendar Year.	To Nova Scotia.	To United States.	To Great Britain and Europe.	Total shipments.
	Short tons.	Short tons.	Short tons.	Short tons.
1895	2,686	....	....	2,686
1896	17,410	22,[illegible]8	....	40,208
1897	12,143	33,039	5,651	50,833
1898	34,622	....	78,640	113,262
1899	26,311	98,485	214,322	139,118
1900	195,507	153,867	14,776	364,150
1901	457,064	84,292	279,102	820,458
1902	376,322	96,702	341,421	814,445
1903	273,283	90,711	287,793	651,787
1904	342,710	6,025	298,694	647,429
1905	506,819	6,490	255,846	769,155
1906	628,152	141,854	213,867	983,873
1907	672,561	123,972	167,074	963,607
1908	713,772	59,532	200,033	973,337
1909	697,068	241,207	171,722	1,109,997
1910	808,762	247,336	203,528	1,259,626
1911	737,261	207,193	237,009	1,181,463
1912	956,458	191,779	183,673	1,331,910
1913	1,048,433	229,402	328,086	1,605,921
1914	417,409	43,513	172,998	633,920
1915	802,128	....	66,323	868,451
Total	9,726,881	2,078,197	3,720,558	15,525,636

IRON ORE PRICES

The prices of Canadian iron ores are naturally based on prices current in the United States. "Lake ores," that is, those originating in what is generally known as the Lake Superior iron region, and which contribute about 80 per cent of the iron and steel requirements of the United States are, by agreement amongst the principal operators, quoted per gross ton delivered at Lake Erie ports. Ore prices and freights are usually fixed at the beginning of each season and the price of any individual ore then depends on its variation from the standard in iron and phosphorus content, etc.

The urgent demand for iron ore by United States blast furnaces during the later months of 1915 resulted in general buying for 1916 delivery early