

The total quantity of crude petroleum entering the world's markets in 1915 amounted to 426,892,673 barrels, exceeding the former record established in 1914 by 28,194,307 barrels, or seven per cent.

The distribution of production is shown in the following table which gives the total yield since the year 1857.

	Quantity 1857-1915 inc. bbls. of 42 gals.
United States.....	3,616,561,244
Russia.....	1,690,781,907
Dutch East Indies.....	148,999,921
Galicia.....	136,032,500
Roumania.....	130,012,287
Mexico.....	123,270,377
India.....	80,789,711
Japan and Formosa.....	30,169,622
Canada.....	23,709,074
Peru.....	16,794,223
Germany.....	13,961,333
Trinidad.....	2,819,430
Egypt.....	1,308,496
Argentine.....	1,033,121
Italy.....	842,020
Other.....	372,000
	6,017,457,266

The science of geology in its relation to oil fields has progressed so far that the possibility of much effort being wasted in prospecting barren country is