

**COKE.**

The total output of oven coke in 1909 was 871,727 tons, produced from 1,327,150 tons of coal; as compared with an output of 852,296 tons in 1908, produced from 1,315,904 tons of coal. The quantity of coke sold or used by the producer in 1909 was 862,011 tons, as compared with 858,257 tons in the previous year.

The production is derived almost entirely from domestic coal in the three Provinces of Nova Scotia, Alberta, and British Columbia, although during 1909 a quantity of imported coal was used by the Dominion Iron and Steel Company at Sydney, C.B.

The consumption of coke in Canada is much in excess of the domestic production, there being a considerable importation of coke, chiefly into Ontario and Quebec, for use in the metallurgical industries.

The imports during the calendar year 1909 were 661,425 tons, and the exports 74,067 tons. These figures, taken in conjunction with the production of 862,011, would indicate a consumption of about 1,449,369 tons. Similarly estimated, the consumption in 1908 was 1,285,228 tons.

With one or two exceptions, of which the Dominion Iron and Steel Company is the chief, the coke is produced by coal mining companies, and in ovens situated in proximity to the mines.

Statistics of coke production during the past three years are given in the following tables, in which is shown for each province, the quantity of coal used, the coke made, the quantity sold or used, and the stocks on hand, etc.

**Coke Production, 1907.**

Province.	Coal charged to Ovens.	Output of Coke.	Stock on Hand.		Coke sold or used.	Value of Sales, etc.
			Jan. 1.	Dec. 31.		
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	\$
Nova Scotia. ....	832,916	529,851	845	6,586	524,110	1,991,047
Alberta. ....	112,887	73,782	3,686	1,147	76,321	297,505
British Columbia. .	398,864	249,663	1,745	9,836	241,572	1,294,826
Totals. ....	1,344,667	853,296	6,276	17,569	842,003	3,583,468

**Coke Production, 1908.**

Nova Scotia. ....	734,478	499,551	6,586	208	505,929	1,658,151
Alberta. ....	128,398	75,657	588	600	75,645	309,019
British Columbia. .	433,028	277,088	9,836	10,241	276,683	1,482,191
Totals. ....	1,315,904	852,296	17,010	11,049	858,257	3,449,361

**Coke Production, 1909.**

Nova Scotia. ....	756,719	493,184	209	401	492,992	1,608,092
Alberta. ....	131,142	87,812	750	1,329	87,233	366,734
British Columbia. .	439,289	290,731	10,170	19,115	291,786	1,509,567
Totals. ....	1,327,150	871,727	11,129	20,845	862,011	3,484,393