

Table 24
Water discharge in mineral extraction industries, by type of final treatment, industry group and region, 2011

	Water not treated before discharge	Primary or mechanical	Secondary or biological	Tertiary or advanced
millions of cubic metres				
Industry group				
Coal mines	23.3 ^A	13.7 ^A	0.1 ^A	0.0
Metal mines	106.5 ^B	194.0 ^B	x	x
Non-metal mines ¹	128.0 ^E	72.3 ^B	x	x
Total	257.8^D	279.9^A	x	x
Region				
Atlantic ²	74.4 ^C	x	x	19.1 ^A
Quebec	x	80.7 ^A	0.1 ^C	x
Ontario	x	x	x	x
Prairies ³	42.7 ^B	x	0.0 ^A	x
British Columbia and territories ⁴	37.9 ^A	57.2 ^D	x	x
Canada	257.8^D	279.9^A	x	x

1. Excluding sand, gravel, clay, and ceramic and refractory minerals mining and quarrying (North American Industry Classification System, code 21232).

2. Atlantic provinces include: Newfoundland and Labrador, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

3. Prairie provinces include: Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

4. British Columbia and territories include: British Columbia, Yukon, Northwest Territories and Nunavut.

Note(s): Figures may not add up to totals due to rounding.

Source(s): Statistics Canada, CANSIM tables 153-0092 and 153-0093.