



Province of British Columbia
 Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources
PRELIMINARY MAP NO. 64
GOLD IN
BRITISH COLUMBIA

SCALE 1:2 000 000
 KILOMETRES 0 50 100 150 200 KILOMETRES

LEGEND

GOLD PRODUCTION (IN OUNCES)	GOLD DEPOSITS (GOLD IS PRINCIPAL COMMODITY)	GOLD-BEARING DEPOSITS (GOLD IS PRESENT BUT NOT MAIN COMMODITY; COMMONLY SILVER-RICH AND/OR BASE METAL DEPOSITS)
OCURRENCE— no production to 10 ounces	●	●
10 to 1,000	●	●
1,000 to 10,000	●	●
10,000 to 100,000	●	●
100,000 to 1 MILLION	●	●
>1 MILLION	●	●

NUMBER REFERS TO DEPOSITS IN TABULATION.
 IMPERIAL UNITS HAVE BEEN USED THROUGHOUT FOR HISTORIC
 PRODUCTION RECORDS. DATA SINCE 1975 ARE CONVERTED FROM METRIC RECORDS.

PRELIMINARY MAP — SUBJECT TO REVISION

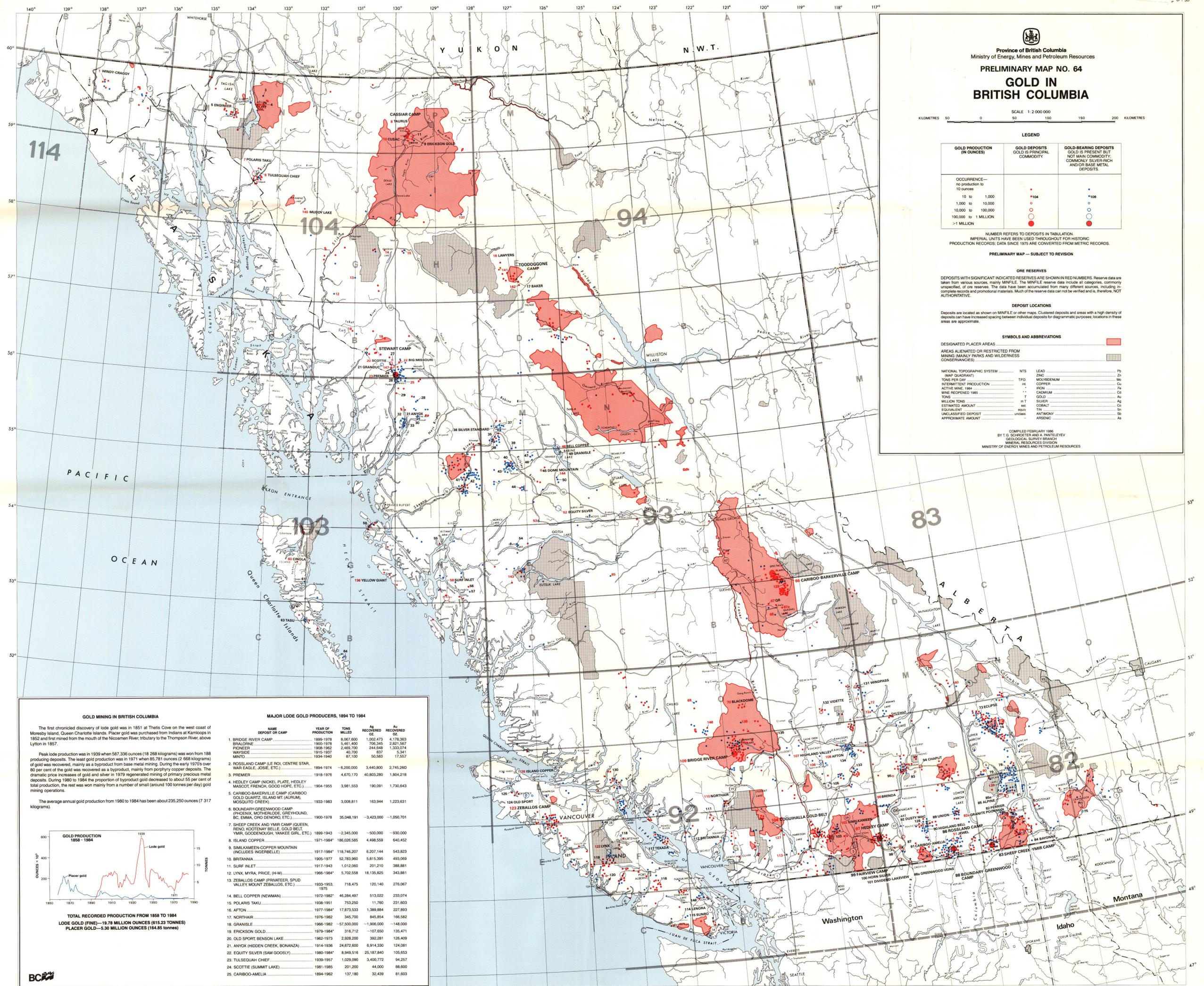
ORE RESERVES
 DEPOSITS WITH SIGNIFICANT INDICATED RESERVES ARE SHOWN IN RED NUMBERS. Reserve data are
 taken from various sources, mainly MINFILE. The MINFILE reserve data include all categories, commonly
 unspecified, or of one reserves. The data have been accumulated from many different sources, including in-
 complete records and promotional materials. Much of the reserve data can not be verified and is, therefore, NOT
 AUTHORITATIVE.

DEPOSIT LOCATIONS
 Deposits are located as shown on MINFILE or other maps. Clustered deposits and areas with a high density of
 deposits can have increased spacing between individual deposits for diagrammatic purposes; locations in these
 areas are approximate.

SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS

DESIGNATED PLACER AREAS	■	NATIONAL TOPOGRAPHIC SYSTEM	NTS	LEAD	Pb
AREAS ALIENATED OR RESTRICTED FROM MINING (MAINLY PARKS AND WILDERNESS CONSERVANCIES)	■	(MAP QUADRANT)	TPD	ZINC	Zn
		INTERMITTENT PRODUCTION	IK	MOLYBDENUM	Mo
		ACTIVE MINE 1984	..	IRON	Fe
		MINE REOPENED 1985	..	CADMIUM	Cd
		TONS	t	GOLD	Au
		MILLION TONS	mt	SILVER	Ag
		ESTIMATED AMOUNT	est	COBALT	Co
		EQUIVALENT	equiv	TIN	Sn
		UNCLASSIFIED DEPOSIT	unclass.	ANTIMONY	Sb
		APPROXIMATE AMOUNT	approx.	ARSENIC	As

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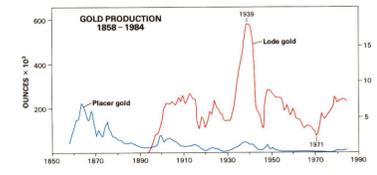


GOLD MINING IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

The first chronicled discovery of lode gold was in 1851 at Thetis Cove on the west coast of Monseley Island, Queen Charlotte Islands. Placer gold was purchased from Indians at Kamlopp in 1852 and first mined from the mouth of the Nicomiam River, tributary to the Thompson River, above Lytton in 1857.

Peak lode production was in 1939 when 587,336 ounces (18 268 kilograms) was won from 188 producing deposits. The least gold production was in 1971 when 85,781 ounces (2 668 kilograms) of gold was recovered, mainly as a byproduct from base metal mining. During the early 1970s over 80 per cent of the gold was recovered as a byproduct, mainly from porphyry copper deposits. The dramatic price increases of gold and silver in 1979 regenerated mining of primary precious metal deposits. During 1980 to 1984 the proportion of byproduct gold decreased to about 55 per cent of total production, the rest was won mainly from a number of small (around 100 tonnes per day) gold mining operations.

The average annual gold production from 1980 to 1984 has been about 235,250 ounces (7 317 kilograms).



TOTAL RECORDED PRODUCTION FROM 1858 TO 1984
LODE GOLD (FINE)—18.78 MILLION OUNCES (615.23 TONNES)
PLACER GOLD—5.30 MILLION OUNCES (164.85 TONNES)

MAJOR LODE GOLD PRODUCERS, 1894 TO 1984

NAME CAMP	YEAR OF PRODUCTION	TONS MILED	Ag RECOVERED OZ.	Au RECOVERED OZ.
1. BRIDGE RIVER CAMP	1899-1978	8,067,600	1,002,473	4,178,363
2. BIRALDINE	1900-1978	5,461,400	708,345	2,821,567
3. PIONEER	1908-1962	2,469,700	244,648	1,333,074
4. WAYSIDE	1915-1937	40,700	837	5,341
5. MINTO	1934-1940	87,100	50,583	17,557
6. ROSSLAND CAMP (LE ROI, CENTRE STAR, WAR EAGLE, JOSIE, ETC.)	1894-1974	6,200,000	3,440,800	2,745,260
7. PREMIER	1918-1976	4,670,170	40,803,280	1,804,218
8. HEDLEY CAMP (NICKEL PLATE, HEDLEY MASCOY, FRENCH, GOOD HOPE, ETC.)	1904-1955	3,981,553	190,091	1,730,643
9. CARIBOO-BARKERVILLE CAMP (CARIBOO GOLD QUARTZ, ISLAND MT. (AURUM), MOSQUITO CREEK)	1933-1983	3,008,811	163,944	1,223,631
10. BOUNDARY-GREENWOOD CAMP (PHOENIX, MOTHERLODE, GREYHOUND, BC, EMMA, ORO DONORO, ETC.)	1900-1978	35,048,191	-3,423,000	-1,050,701
11. SHEEP CREEK AND YMR CAMP (QUEEN, HEND, SCOTTY, BELLE, GOLD BELT, YMR, GOODENOUGH, YANKEE GIRL, ETC.)	1899-1943	2,345,000	-500,000	-930,000
12. ISLAND COPPER	1971-1984	186,026,585	4,498,559	640,452
13. SIMLAKAMEN-COPPER MOUNTAIN (INCLUDES INGERBELLE)	1917-1984	118,746,207	6,207,144	543,823
14. BRITANNIA	1905-1977	52,783,960	5,815,395	493,069
15. SURF INLET	1917-1943	1,012,060	201,210	388,881
16. LYNX, MYRA, PRICE, (H-W)	1966-1984	5,702,558	18,135,825	343,881
17. ZEBALLOS CAMP (PRIVATEER, SPUD VALLEY MOUNT ZEBALLOS, ETC.)	1833-1953, 1975	718,475	120,140	276,067
18. BELL COPPER (NEWMAN)	1972-1982	46,284,487	513,022	230,074
19. POLARIS TAKU	1938-1951	753,250	11,760	231,603
20. AFTON	1977-1984	17,873,533	1,389,884	227,893
21. NORTHAIR	1976-1982	345,700	845,854	166,582
22. GRANISLE	1966-1982	-57,500,000	-1,906,000	-148,000
23. ERICKSON GOLD	1979-1984	316,712	-107,650	135,471
24. OLD SPORT BENSON LAKE	1962-1973	2,928,200	392,281	126,409
25. ANXCH (HIDDEN CREEK, BONANZA)	1914-1936	24,672,800	6,914,330	124,081
26. EQUITY SILVER (SAM GOOSLY)	1980-1984	8,949,516	25,187,840	105,653
27. TULSEQUAH CHIEF	1939-1957	1,029,990	3,400,772	94,257
28. SCOTTIE (SUMMIT LAKE)	1981-1985	201,200	44,000	88,600
29. CARIBOO-AMELIA	1894-1982	137,190	32,439	81,603



GOLD DEPOSITS IN BRITISH COLUMBIA — PRODUCTION AND MAJOR PROSPECTS

PRELIMINARY MAP No. 64 — TABULATION

Table with columns: MAP NO., MAIN DEPOSIT OR CAMP NAME, NTS, MINERAL INVENTORY NO., YEARS OF PRODUCTION, MILLING RATE T/P.D., RANK OF GOLD PRODUCTION, TONS MINED OR MILLED, RECOVERED OUNCES GOLD, SILVER, Ag:Au, OTHER PRODUCTS, RESERVES, DEPOSIT TYPE.

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