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You'll understand why gold is so precious when you know how little exists.

For more than 60 centuries man has relentlessly scratched, tunnelled, panned, stripped, dredged and blasted for gold.

In the process he has moved, crushed and sifted enough rock to build a mountain range, overcoming the most incredible of mining obstacles.

Even more incredible and certainly unknown to many, is what he has gained for his effort. Man has relatively little gold.

This is demonstrated by the illustration of an imaginary block of gold beside the Washington monument. The monument is 555 feet or 185 yards in height. The block is 20 yards on each side, about one tenth the monument's mass.

The block represents not just the gold of America, but all the gold mankind owns. It is your watch, your ring, your necklace, as well as all the gold in all government reserves. It is all the gilding of churches, the solid gold museum artifacts, the dental fillings, and even the gold plating on dime store doodads. It is all.

One should really reflect again on that dimension, a 20-yard-high cube, this is the gold of 6000 years. No wonder it is precious; no wonder man seeks more of it.

As it is, he goes deeper into the earth for gold than for anything else, in some places as far as two-and-a-half miles. There the temperature, despite fresh air circulation, reaches 130° and rocks can explode spontaneously from the pressure of the earth above.

One might wonder how much more gold exists. Well, according to experts, there's not a lot. A recent estimate puts some 51,000 metric tons as the probably attainable reserve. This sounds like a large quantity but we must remember that gold is extremely heavy, a cubic foot weighs about half a ton. Recovering this would add maybe another 50% to the block on this page. But not even that amount, at current usage, would prevent gold from being in critical supply.

Although world production has increased during the late 1980s, a general decline is expected in the 1990s with six countries dominating the supply: South Africa with 22%; Socialist block with 17%; U.S.A. with 11%; Australia with 9%; Canada with 6%; and Brazil with 4% in 1990. The recent decline in global development and exploration will have a definite effect on future supplies, and lower cost production may be a thing of the past. In any event, it appears one day we will have to live with our short and precious supply.