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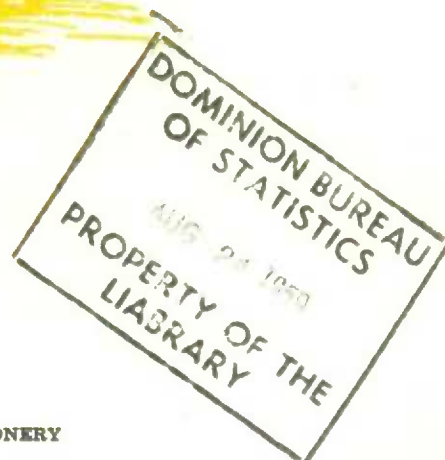
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(SPECIFIED PERIODS)

MILLION BUSHELS

450 —

400 —

350 —

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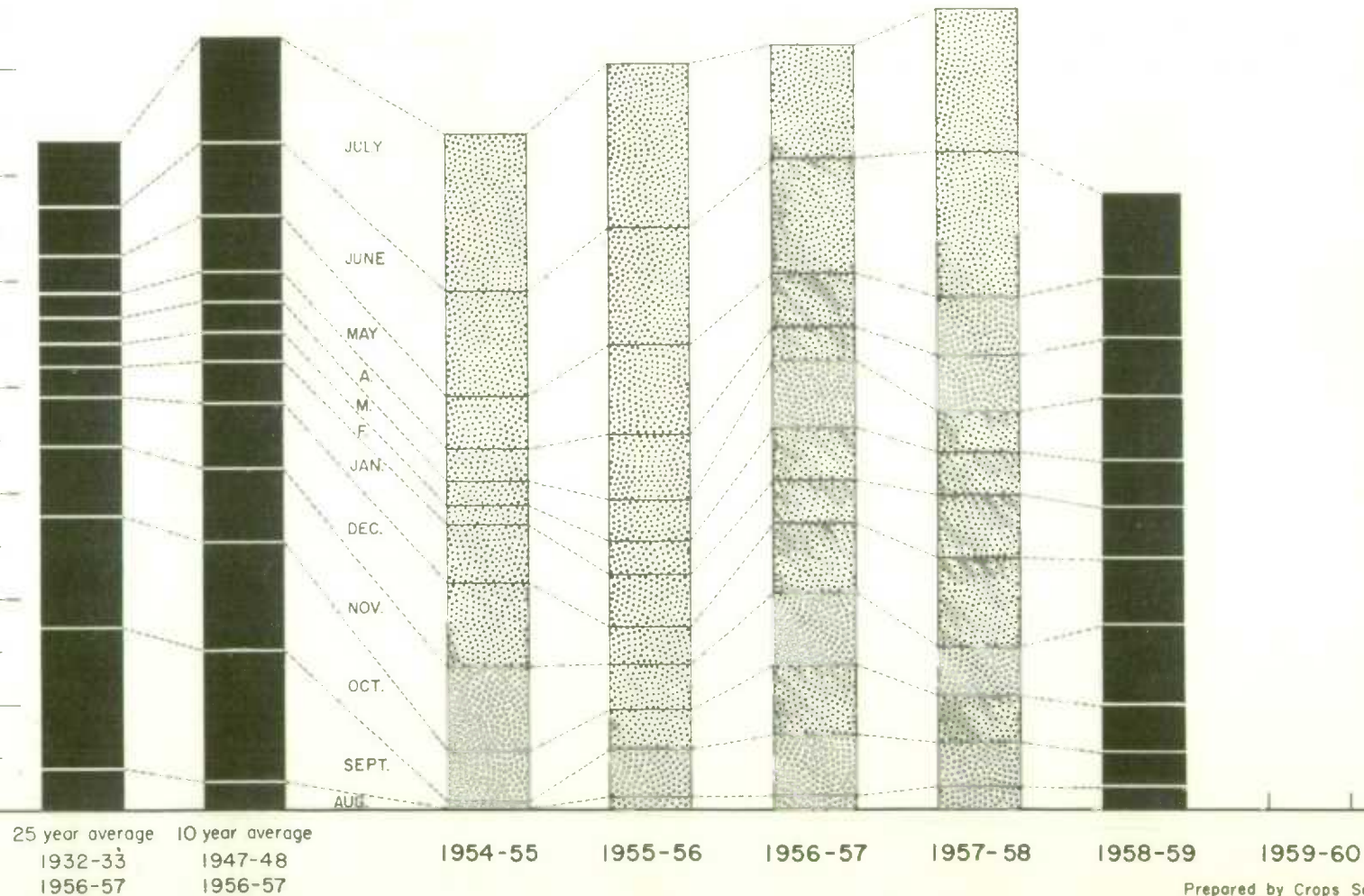
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PEAK MARKETINGS  
1952-53 CROP YEAR  
536.0 MILLION BUSHELS



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## WORLD WHEAT SITUATION

Current Supplies Latest available estimates indicate that supplies of wheat remaining on or about July 1, 1959 in the four major exporting countries for export and for carryover at the end of their respective crop years amounted to 2,014.5 million bushels, representing an increase of 22 per cent over the 1,655.0 million available a year ago. Supplies at July 1, 1959 in millions of bushels, were held as follows, with last year's comparable figures in brackets: United States, 1,276.7 (881.0); Canada, 545.0 (637.2); Argentina, 86.4 (94.6); and Australia, 106.4 (42.2). Estimates for both crop years include on-farm stocks as well as those in commercial positions.

Exports Total exports of wheat and wheat flour in terms of grain equivalent from the four major exporting countries during the August-June period of the 1958-59 Canadian crop year, at 863.7 million bushels, were 9 per cent greater than the 792.0 million exported during the same months in 1957-58. Shipments from each of the four countries during August-June of the 1958-59 (Canadian) and eight preceding crop years are shown in the table below.

Exports of Wheat and Flour in Terms of Wheat, August 1958-June 1959  
with Comparisons

August-June	United States	Canada	Argentina	Australia	Total
- million bushels -					
1950-51 .....	346.4	209.1	87.5	119.7	762.7
1951-52 .....	446.1	312.9	24.1	86.4	869.5
1952-53 .....	296.7	341.4	29.3	94.8	762.2
1953-54 .....	190.7	234.3	101.2	57.0	583.2
1954-55 .....	253.2	231.9	123.0	88.6	696.7
1955-56 .....	317.8	284.1 1/	103.3	96.3	801.5 1/
1956-57 .....	507.2	241.9 1/	93.2 1/	115.6	957.9 1/
1957-58 1/ .....	370.0	294.6	70.2	57.2	792.0
1958-59 2/ .....	417.6	275.2	95.8	75.1	863.7

1/ Revised.    2/ Preliminary.

Notes on World Crops With harvesting operations well underway, production of wheat in the United States this year is estimated, on the basis of conditions at July 1, at 1,155 million bushels, about one fifth less than the record 1958 crop but 7 per cent larger than average. In the Prairie Provinces, Canada's principal grain-producing area, high temperatures during the last week of July had advanced crops rapidly and harvesting was expected to commence early this season. Seeding of the new crop was well underway in Argentina by July 23 although rain had hindered operations on a number of occasions. Continued lack of rain in most areas of South Australia and in the main wheat growing areas of Victoria had, up to mid-July, prevented seeding of the 1959-60 wheat crop in that country. As a result, earlier forecasts of large increases in seeded acreage will not be fulfilled. In France, high temperatures and low rainfall during June and early July had matured grain crops and harvesting was generally two weeks earlier than normal. The July 1 estimate of production placed the wheat crop in France at 402 million bushels.

Italy's 1959 wheat crop is officially estimated at about 335 million bushels compared with the record of 360 million in 1958. In Spain the wheat

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International Wheat Agreement Sales and Purchases for Crop Year 1958-59

Importing Countries	Guaranteed Quantities	S O U R C E						Total Purchases	Remainder
		Canada	Argentina	Australia	France	Sweden	U.S.A.		
		1/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/		
- thousand bushels -									
Austria .....	3,674	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,674
Belgium .....	16,535	2,312	-	2	67	-	1,651	4,032	12,503
Bolivia .....	4,042	-	-	-	-	-	308	308	3,734
Brazil .....	7,349	-	-	-	-	-	1,089	1,089	6,260
Costa Rica .....	1,653	615	-	-	-	-	983	1,598	55
Cuba .....	8,175	194	-	-	-	-	7,483	7,677	498
Denmark .....	1,837	360	-	-	-	-	1,310	1,670	167
Dominican Republic	1,286	609	-	-	-	-	494	1,103	183
Ecuador .....	1,837	146	-	-	-	-	163	309	1,528
Egypt .....	11,023	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11,023
El Salvador 4/ ...	919	315	-	-	-	-	604	919	-
Germany 4/ .....	55,116	29,096	-	1,772	7,679	1,535	15,122	55,204	-
Greece .....	11,023	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11,023
Guatemala 4/ .....	1,653	295	-	-	-	-	1,363	1,658	-
Haiti .....	2,204	3	-	-	-	-	1,040	1,043	1,161
Honduras Republic.	919	26	-	-	-	-	284	310	609
Iceland .....	404	4	-	-	-	-	5	9	395
India 4/ .....	7,349	5,339	-	1,496	-	-	565	7,400	-
Indonesia .....	5,144	-	-	2,165	-	-	-	2,165	2,979
Ireland 4/ .....	5,512	2,853	-	2,174	41	-	480	5,548	-
Israel .....	8,267	1,561	-	-	-	-	2,018	3,579	4,688
Italy .....	3,674	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,674
Japan .....	36,744	14,963	-	2,124	-	-	17,842	34,929	1,815
Korea 4/ .....	2,205	-	-	-	-	-	2,247	2,247	-
Lebanon .....	2,756	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,756
Liberia .....	73	15	-	-	-	-	49	64	9
Mexico .....	3,674	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,674
Netherlands .....	25,721	6,602	-	85	1	-	10,098	16,786	8,935
New Zealand 4/ ...	5,879	-	-	5,879	-	-	-	5,879	-
Nicaragua 4/ .....	367	106	-	-	-	-	219	325	-
Norway 4/ .....	6,614	3,381	-	-	22	28	3,211	6,642	-
Panama .....	1,102	210	-	-	-	-	642	852	250
Peru .....	7,349	-	-	-	-	-	28	28	7,321
Philippines 4/ ...	6,063	1,725	-	76	-	-	4,253	6,054	-
Portugal .....	5,879	457	254	57	857	-	1,255	2,880	2,999
Saudi Arabia .....	3,674	-	-	-	-	-	197	197	3,477
Spain .....	4,593	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,593
Switzerland .....	6,981	5,992	-	-	-	-	-	5,992	989
Union of S. Africa 4/	5,512	5,512	-	-	-	-	-	5,512	-
Vatican City 4/ ..	551	-	-	-	-	-	551	551	-
Venezuela .....	6,246	674	-	-	-	-	5,619	6,293	-
Yugoslavia .....	3,674	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,674
Totals .....	295,252	83,365	254	15,830	8,667	1,563	81,173	190,852	
Guaranteed Quantities (Exporting Countries)		100,294	14,325	29,493	16,115	6,268	128,757	295,252	
Balance .....		16,929	14,071	13,663	7,448	4,705	47,584	104,400	

1/ Canadian Sales through July 28, 1959.

2/ Sales recorded by International Wheat Council through July 24, 1959.

3/ The quantities are the unfulfilled balances of the total guaranteed quantities for the year.

4/ Quota filled.



CANADIAN SITUATION

Supply Position Total estimated supplies of wheat for the crop year 1958-59 consisting of the August 1 carryover of 611.5 million bushels and the 1958 production of 368.7 million, amount to 980.2 million bushels, 11 per cent less than the 1957-58 total of 1,100.1 million and 15 per cent below the record 1956-57 supplies of 1,152.8 million. After deducting an estimated 160.0 million bushels for anticipated domestic requirements, some 820.2 million are available for export and for carryover during the 1958-59 crop year compared with 931.8 million in 1957-58.

Combined exports of wheat as grain and wheat flour in terms of grain equivalent during the August-June period of the 1958-59 crop year amounted to 275.2 million bushels representing a decline of 7 per cent from the 294.6 million exported during the same months of the 1957-58 crop year. The balance remaining on July 1, 1959 for export and for carryover amounted to 545.0 million bushels, about 14 per cent less than the July 1, 1958 total of 637.2 million.

Canadian Wheat Supplies

Item	1957-58 <u>1/</u>	1958-59 <u>2/</u>
	- million bushels -	
Carryover in North America at beginning of crop year (August 1) .....	729.5	611.5
New Crop .....	370.5	368.7
Imports of wheat for domestic use, August-April ....	<u>3/</u>	<u>3/</u>
Total estimated supplies .....	1,100.1	980.2
Less estimated domestic requirements for crop year .	<u>168.3</u>	<u>160.0</u>
Available for export and for carryover .....	931.8	820.2
Deduct:		
Exports of wheat in bulk August-June <u>4/</u> .....	253.4	236.1
Exports of bagged seed wheat August-June <u>5/</u> .....	<u>4.2</u>	<u>5.0</u>
Total exports of wheat as grain .....	257.6	241.1
Exports of wheat flour in terms of wheat August - June <u>5/</u> .....	<u>37.0</u>	<u>34.1</u>
Total exports of wheat and wheat flour .....	<u>294.6</u>	<u>275.2</u>
Balance on July 1 for export and for carryover .....	637.2	545.0

1/ Subject to revision. 2/ Preliminary. 3/ Less than 50,000 bushels.  
4/ As reported by the Board of Grain Commissioners. (Includes overseas clearances and imports into the United States. 5/ Customs returns, 1957-58 adjusted for time lag.

Farmers' marketings of wheat (both east and west) up to July 15 of the 1958-59 crop year have amounted to 318.5 million bushels, 4 per cent less than the total of 333.0 million marketed during the corresponding period of the 1957-58 crop year. Some 42.2 million bushels of the 1958-59 total were marketed during the four weeks June 18 to July 15. Disappearance of Canadian wheat through licensed elevator channels into export and domestic markets (overseas clearances plus Canadian domestic use and including grain milled for subsequent export during the same four weeks

amounted to 27.4 million bushels. With deliveries from farms exceeding export and domestic requirements during the period under review, the total visible supply of Canadian wheat at July 15, 1959 amounted to 377.9 million bushels, an increase of 4 per cent over the 363.3 million at June 17.

The total visible supply of Canadian wheat at July 15 this year exceeded by a narrow margin the comparable 1958 total of 376.6 million but was less than the 1957 figure of 387.1 million bushels. Stocks in country elevators, at 230.4 million bushels, accounted for 61 per cent of the July 15, 1959 total and were above both the 1958 total of 217.2 million and the 1957 total of 224.7 million bushels. Interior terminal stocks accounted for 13.3 million bushels compared with 11.0 million a year ago and 11.9 million two years ago. The 13.5 million bushels "In transit rail" (Western Division) at July 15, 1959 were slightly above the 1958 comparable total of 13.2 million and slightly below the 1957 figure of 14.3 million bushels. Supplies in Lakehead position, at 46.1 million bushels, were above both the 1958 and 1957 comparable mid-July totals of 39.3 million and 43.2 million bushels, respectively. Stocks in Bay, Lake and Upper St. Lawrence Ports, at 29.9 million bushels, represented rather sharp declines from both the 40.1 million bushels of a year ago and the 41.7 million of two years ago. "In transit lake" at July 15, 1959 accounted for 6.4 million bushels compared with the 1958 total of 7.9 million and the 1957 total of 4.6 million bushels. Supplies in Lower St. Lawrence and Maritime Ports amounted to 15.9 million bushels, considerably below both the 1958 and 1957 comparable totals of 21.5 million and 22.4 million bushels, respectively. Supplies in West Coast Ports (Vancouver-New Westminster and Victoria) at mid-July 1959, amounted to 9.4 million bushels, also below the 1958 total of 13.9 million and the 1957 figure of 11.4 million bushels.

June 1959 Exports of  
Wheat and Flour Total  
31.7 Million Bushels

Combined exports of wheat in bulk, bagged seed wheat and wheat flour in terms of grain equivalent during June 1959 amounted to 31.7 million bushels, 3 per cent greater than both the June 1958 total of 30.9 million and the ten-year (1948-1957) June average of 30.8 million but 2 per cent less than the May 1959 total of 32.5 million bushels. Exports of wheat in bulk (as reported by the Board of Grain Commissioners), at 27.8 million bushels, were 3 per cent greater than the June 1958 total of 26.9 million but 4 per cent less than the May 1959 total of 29.0 million bushels. Exports of bagged seed wheat during June 1959, based on Canadian Customs returns, amounted to 40 thousand compared with the May figure of 335 thousand and the June 1958 (adjusted to remove time-lag) of 114 thousand bushels. Customs returns also indicate that the equivalent of 3,857 thousand bushels of wheat was exported in the form of flour during June 1959, exceeding by 24 per cent the total of 3,120 thousand exported during May and 0.1 per cent less than the adjusted June 1958 total of 3,862 thousand bushels.

Cumulative exports of wheat in bulk during the August-June period of the 1958-59 crop year amounted to 236.1 million bushels, representing a decline of 7 per cent from the comparable 1957-58 total of 253.4 million. The United Kingdom, remaining in its position as Canada's leading market for wheat, received shipments amounting to 83.4 million bushels and representing 35 per cent of the August-June 1958-59 total. During the August-June period of the 1957-58 crop year shipments of Canadian bulk wheat to the United Kingdom amounted to 84.1 million bushels and accounted for 33 per cent of the total. Other major markets for Canadian wheat in bulk during the August-June period of the 1958-59 crop year, with figures for the same months of the 1957-58 crop year in brackets, were as follows, in millions of bushels: Japan, 37.2 (32.7); Federal Republic of Germany, 33.3 (29.3); Belgium, 10.0 (11.5); India, 9.6 (22.7); Netherlands, 7.6 (19.3); U.S.S.R. (Russia), 7.3 (14.8); Union of South Africa, 6.9 (nil); Switzerland, 5.7 (8.4); Poland, 5.4 (1.4); Ireland, 4.0 (1.6); Norway, 3.6 (3.4); and United States, 3.3 (6.9).

Cumulative exports of bagged seed wheat during August-June of



the 1958-59 crop year, based on Customs returns, amounted to 5.0 million bushels compared with the adjusted 1957-58 August-June total of 4.2 million.

Cumulative exports of wheat flour during the August-June period of 1958-59, also based on Customs returns, were the equivalent of 34.1 million bushels of wheat, 8 per cent lower than the adjusted August-June 1957-58 total of 37.0 million. As with bulk wheat, the United Kingdom was also the major market for Canadian wheat flour. Shipments of wheat flour to that country during the period under review amounted to the equivalent of 12.7 million bushels of wheat and accounted for 37 per cent of the August-June 1958-59 total. During the same months of the 1957-58 crop year shipments of wheat flour to the United Kingdom amounted to the equivalent of 12.5 million bushels of wheat and represented 34 per cent of the total. Other leading markets for Canadian wheat flour in terms of grain equivalent during the August-June period of the 1958-59 crop year, with revised data for the same period of the preceding crop year in brackets, were as follows, in millions of bushels: Philippine Islands, 3.0 (4.7); Ceylon, 1.8 (2.2); United States, 1.6 (1.6); Jamaica, 1.6 (1.5); Trinidad and Tobago, 1.5 (1.4); Ghana, 1.2 (0.5); Japan, 1.0 (0.7); Leeward and Windward Islands, 0.9 (1.0); Venezuela, 0.8 (3.1); Lebanon, 0.7 (0.8); and Dominican Republic, 0.6 (0.6).

Delivery Quota  
Policy, 1959-60

In its Instructions to the Trade, No. 1, re Quotas, under date of July 28, 1959 the Canadian Wheat Board announced in part that the Board wishes to advise that all delivery quotas in effect in the 1958-59 crop season including specified acreage quotas, supplementary quotas on oats, barley and rye, open quota on flaxseed and all special permit authorizations, will automatically expire as at the close of business July 31, 1959.

Effective on and after August 1, 1959, the quota policy of the Board for the 1959-60 crop season will be as follows:-

Durum Wheat In accordance with the policy of last year, acreages seeded to Durum Wheat will again be included in the producer's specified acreage for the 1959-60 crop season. Durum Wheat will, therefore, be deliverable only on the unit or specified acreage quotas during the 1959-60 crop season.

Flaxseed Pending information on the outcome of the crop, a delivery quota of five (5) bushels per seeded acre of Flaxseed, as shown in the individual producer's delivery permit book, subject to a minimum of Two Hundred (200) bushels, is hereby authorized effective on or after August 1, 1959.

All deliveries of Flaxseed made during the crop year must be entered in the producer's permit book at the time of delivery and as in the previous year producers may deliver Flaxseed within the quota authorized at their regular delivery point, to any station selected by them at which space for Flaxseed is available.

Malting, Pot and Pearling Barley The Board will again consider applications on behalf of producers of malting, pot and/or pearling barley, for permission to deliver, in excess of the established quotas, one carlot of such barley providing:-

- (a) A representative sample of such carlot has been submitted to and accepted by a maltster or shipper as suitable for malting, pot and/or pearling: and
- (b) A premium is to be paid to the producer for the carlot of barley

so accepted.

Full details under the foregoing provisions have been announced in Instructions to the Trade re Quotas (General) No. 2 of July 28, 1959.

Initial Delivery Quota 1959-60 Crop Season - Wheat, (including Durum), Oats, Barley and Rye Effective at all delivery points on and after August 1, 1959, the following initial quota is hereby authorized in respect of the above grains:

An initial delivery quota applicable to all permit holders regardless of the acreage shown on their 1959 permit books of the equivalent of One Hundred (100) units. Each such unit shall be the equivalent of three (3) bushels of Wheat or eight (8) bushels of Oats or five (5) bushels of Barley or five (5) bushels of Rye.

As space becomes available each permit holder will be entitled to deliver at his option any of the above grains or any combination of the above grains calculated on the unit basis, but his total deliveries under the initial quota must not exceed the equivalent of One Hundred (100) units.

Under the above policy a permit holder will be entitled to deliver a maximum of 300 bushels of Wheat or 800 bushels of Oats or 500 bushels of Barley or 500 bushels of Rye, or any combination of these grains which, when calculated on the unit basis outlined above, does not exceed One Hundred (100) units.

General Delivery Quotas 1959-60 Crop Season Following the initial quota, the Board will again establish general quotas at individual stations, based upon bushels per "specified" acre. The "specified" acreage upon which general delivery quotas will be based will consist of the total of each permit holder's acreage seeded to wheat (including Durum), oats, barley and rye, summerfallowed, and the eligible acreage seeded to cultivated grasses and forage crops.

It will be noted that the initial quota and later general quotas as provided in 1958-59 will be again effective in 1959-60. It is expected that the past experience of producers and elevator agents, especially in regard to the initial quota, will be helpful in the administration of delivery quotas during the present crop year and that the available storage space will be handled this Fall and throughout the crop year in the best interests of all concerned.

Initial Payment  
For Wheat  
Crop Year 1959-60

The Canadian Wheat Board in its Instructions to the Trade No. 28, under date of July 3, 1959 announced in part that the initial payment for wheat effective from August 1, 1959 to July 31, 1960 would be one dollar and forty cents (\$1.40) per bushel basis the grade No. One Northern in store Fort William/Port Arthur or Vancouver.

Canadian Wheat  
Board Increase  
Interest Rate

The Canadian Wheat Board in its Instructions to the Trade, Shippers and Exporters, No. 12, under date of July 21, 1959 announced that the rate of interest applicable to all transactions relevant to the handling of Board Agency Wheat has been increased from 4 3/4 per cent to 5 1/4 per cent per annum, effective as from Monday, May 25, 1959. In respect to transactions which have been completed with the Board during the period from May 25 to July 20, 1959, both dates inclusive, at the old rate of 4 3/4 per cent, the Board will prepare the necessary interest adjustments for submission to the Companies.



Lake Shipments Total shipments of the five major grains out of Lakehead terminals from the opening of navigation to July 15 this year amounted to 114.3 million bushels representing a relatively sharp decline from the 168.7 million shipped during the comparable period of 1958. The 1959 season of navigation opened on April 20 while the 1958 season opened on April 18. Shipments of each of the five principal grains were below their respective 1958 levels, with the largest decrease occurring in shipments of wheat.

Lake Shipments of Canadian Grain from the Opening of Navigation to July 15, 1959 and to Approximately the Same Date, 1949 to 1958\*

Year	Wheat	Oats	Barley	Rye	Flaxseed	Total
- thousand bushels -						
1949 .....	67,955	10,029	11,088	5,814	4,307	99,193
1950 .....	68,699	6,542	9,095	2,772	265	87,374
1951 .....	65,366	22,769	14,965	4,150	634	107,883
1952 .....	119,232	45,804	39,305	4,332	2,384	211,058
1953 .....	123,119	34,480	49,370	5,661	2,408	215,038
1954 .....	54,740	25,443	25,655	4,110	1,765	111,714
1955 .....	76,445	13,024	30,038	6,040	2,667	128,214
1956 .....	116,444	14,067	34,792	7,338	2,275	174,916
1957 .....	82,810	17,905	20,638	3,687	5,538	130,577
1958 <u>1/</u> .....	103,336	20,637	38,084	4,157	2,522	168,735
1959 .....	79,758	10,467	19,800	2,066	2,206	114,296

\* Shipments from opening of navigation to July 14, 1949; July 13, 1950; July 12, 1951; July 17, 1952; July 16, 1953; July 16, 1954; July 13, 1955; July 18, 1956; July 17, 1957; and July 16, 1958.

1/ Revised.

General Quota By July 28, 1959 out of a total of 2,028 shipping points in the Western Division, the Canadian Wheat Board had placed 835 points on a quota of 8 bushels per specified acre, 619 points were on a 7-bushel quota, 320 were on a 6-bushel quota and only 2 points were on a 5-bushel quota. Of the 252 points appearing under the limited quota, 102 points were limited at 8 bushels, 54 points were limited at 7 bushels, 38 points were limited at 6 bushels, 51 points were limited at 5 bushels and 7 points were limited at 4 bushels per specified acre.

Summary of Elevator Shipping Points in the Western Division  
as at July 28, 1959

Province	Quota in Bushels per Specified Acre				Limited <u>1/</u>					Total
	Five	Six	Seven	Eight	Four	Five	Six	Seven	Eight	
Ontario .....	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	2
Manitoba .....	-	84	143	140	1	1	2	1	1	373
Saskatchewan .....	2	236	469	339	6	14	12	7	2	1,087
Alberta .....	-	-	7	354	-	34	24	44	98	561
British Columbia ...	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	2	1	5
All Provinces ...	2	320	619	835	7	51	38	54	102	2,028

1/ Stations at which the quota now in effect is apparently sufficient to permit the marketing of all deliverable farm stocks.



Farmers' Marketings 1/ 2/ of Wheat in the Prairie Provinces 1958-59

Week Ending		Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	Total	Last Year <u>1/</u>
		- bushels -				
August	6, 1958 .....	24,121	170,879	17,502	212,502	455,502
	13 .....	48,414	410,030	105,886	564,330	1,631,517
	20 .....	530,671	837,276	433,390	1,801,337	3,032,606
	27 .....	655,469	2,402,721	799,374	3,857,564	5,450,126
September	3 .....	339,017	2,320,487	1,007,161	3,666,665	4,448,141
	10 .....	627,177	2,731,480	1,318,831	4,677,488	3,255,272
	17 .....	876,894	2,872,636	1,884,076	5,633,606	3,788,910
	24 .....	465,499	1,888,330	1,054,410	3,408,239	4,142,391
October	1 .....	312,295	1,538,887	830,513	2,681,695	5,248,839
	8 .....	312,841	3,825,960	1,118,284	5,257,085	6,163,797
	15 .....	426,949	3,400,180	946,895	4,774,024	5,711,676
	22 .....	638,086	3,558,895	1,228,570	5,425,551	4,912,139
	29 .....	669,631	4,449,753	1,469,635	6,589,019	5,273,008
November	5 .....	849,994	5,872,876	2,004,736	8,727,606	4,763,875
	12 .....	953,433	5,138,702	1,489,048	7,581,183	5,665,494
	19 .....	1,311,444	4,772,684	1,680,173	7,764,301	5,664,539
	26 .....	1,008,111	5,266,454	1,759,342	8,033,907	6,826,854
December	3 .....	713,127	3,827,448	1,503,964	6,044,539	9,637,688
	10 .....	782,917	4,970,681	1,654,700	7,408,298	8,775,523
	17 .....	1,250,351	5,504,925	1,662,902	8,418,178	8,848,531
	23 .....	867,581	6,445,886	2,425,776	9,739,243	8,454,157
	30 .....	942,586	3,495,655	1,535,144	5,973,385	6,357,396
January	7, 1959 .....	873,721	3,034,162	1,510,351	5,418,234	5,531,301
	14 .....	991,633	3,238,040	1,986,657	6,216,330	8,711,602
	21 .....	1,195,720	4,325,517	2,943,315	8,464,552	8,317,693
	28 .....	642,538	1,918,308	1,604,532	4,165,378	7,379,820
February	4 .....	905,136	3,868,446	2,202,774	6,976,356	6,748,159
	11 .....	464,094	2,340,320	1,888,149	4,692,563	4,942,195
	18 .....	546,676	2,353,576	1,516,790	4,417,042	3,828,974
	25 .....	539,723	2,665,475	1,985,822	5,191,020	4,553,846
March	4 .....	900,708	4,815,472	2,487,533	8,203,713	5,091,553
	11 .....	680,755	3,405,740	2,780,105	6,866,600	4,093,673
	18 .....	566,519	3,089,858	2,847,729	6,504,106	3,780,940
	25 .....	503,717	2,715,763	1,802,584	5,022,064	3,867,076
April	1 .....	323,043	1,888,155	1,634,651	3,845,849	2,834,184
	8 .....	256,613	3,183,772	1,696,342	5,136,727	1,891,902
	15 .....	423,599	4,544,056	2,609,296	7,576,951	5,500,172
	22 .....	672,609	5,019,480	2,141,087	7,833,176	11,094,197
May	29 .....	548,349	4,643,729	1,990,541	7,182,619	8,170,919
	6 .....	580,080	3,461,860	1,579,767	5,621,707	8,325,429
	13 .....	652,863	2,704,735	1,294,240	4,651,838	5,635,883
	20 .....	990,612	2,082,594	830,299	3,903,505	5,862,539
June	27 .....	990,592	3,883,580	1,047,158	5,921,330	7,792,072
	3 .....	864,588	6,093,919	1,645,747	8,604,254	15,009,718
	10 .....	1,239,114	7,034,989	2,113,945	10,388,048	15,323,289
	17 .....	1,669,461	6,721,286	2,201,385	10,592,132	14,778,125
July	24 .....	1,841,570	6,313,729	2,847,919	11,003,218	13,676,093
	1 .....	1,422,681	4,991,813	2,363,383	8,777,877	10,038,230
	8 .....	1,691,732	6,263,310	3,023,392	10,978,434	9,488,031
	15 .....	1,661,605	6,826,425	2,857,680	11,345,710	9,286,384
Totals .....		39,246,659	189,130,934	85,363,485	313,741,078	330,061,980
Average similar period:						
1947-48-1956-57 <u>1/</u> .....		35,942,600	200,156,661	96,315,796	332,415,057	

1/ Includes receipts at Country, Interior Private and Mill and Platform Loadings.

2/ Revised to include Interior Semi-Public Terminal Elevators in 1958-59.

Visible Supply of Canadian Wheat, July 15, 1959  
Compared with Approximately the Same Date, 1957 and 1958

Position	1957	1958	1959
- thousand bushels -			
Country elevators - Manitoba .....	22,612	23,611	22,443
Saskatchewan .....	128,692	120,728	132,739
Alberta .....	73,422	72,865	75,253
Totals .....	224,725	217,204	230,435
Interior private and mill .....	6,841	7,431	7,341
Interior terminals .....	11,943	10,984	13,340
Vancouver-New Westminster .....	11,096	13,549	9,113
Victoria .....	353	306	306
Churchill .....	4,801	4,620	4,916
Fort William-Port Arthur .....	43,152	39,254	46,143
In transit rail (Western Division) ...	14,309	13,239	13,460
Bay, Lake and Upper St. Lawrence Ports	41,703	40,121	29,895
Lower St. Lawrence and Maritime Ports.	22,449	21,506	15,949
In transit lake .....	4,572	7,856	6,413
In transit rail (Eastern Division) ...	1,072	553	450
United States ports .....	113	-	159
Totals .....	387,129	376,624	377,920

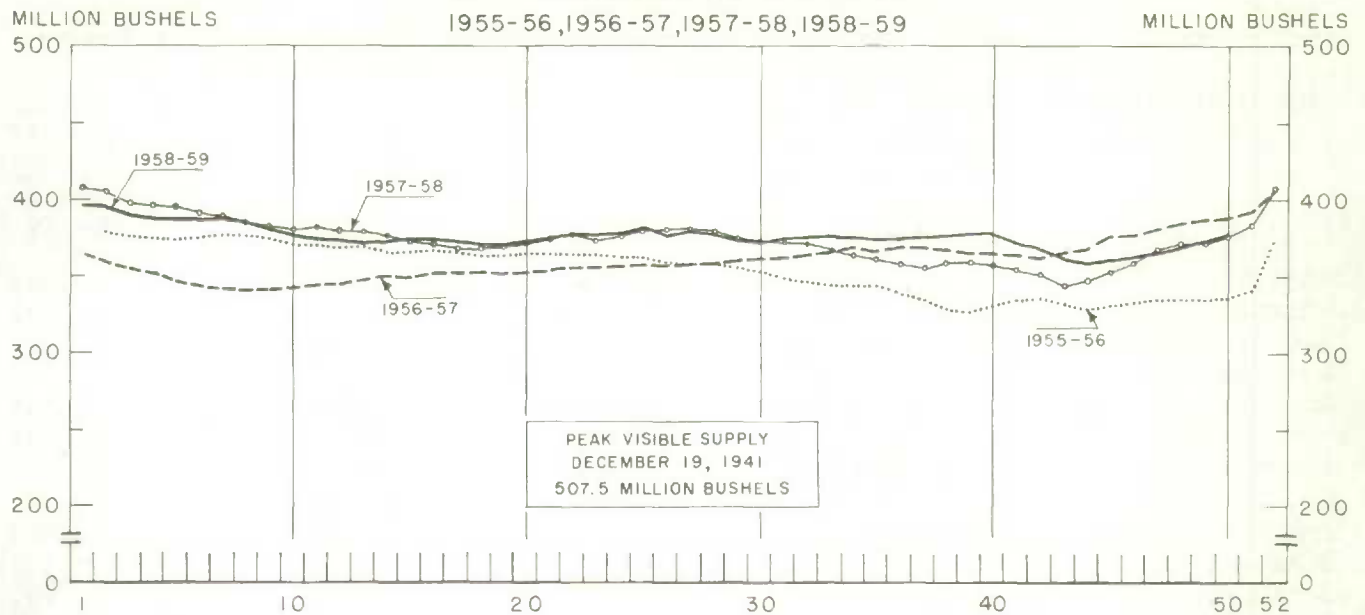
Grading of Wheat Inspected, August 1958-June 1959 with Comparisons

Grade	Crop Year		August-June			
	Average	1957-58	1957-58		1958-59	
	1952-53- 1956-57		1957-58		1958-59	
	per cent	per cent	cars	per cent	cars	per cent
1 Hard .....	1/	-	-	-	-	-
1 Man. Northern .....	4.8	0.3	612	0.3	2,531	1.6
2 Man. Northern .....	35.2	20.4	37,878	21.6	50,139	31.1
3 Man. Northern .....	22.7	32.1	56,492	32.2	44,306	27.5
4 Man. Northern .....	8.9	22.0	37,866	21.6	26,162	16.2
5 Wheat .....	8.8	11.2	19,000	10.8	11,838	7.4
6 Wheat .....	2.9	3.3	6,101	3.5	1,335	0.8
Feed Wheat .....	0.5	0.1	153	0.1	64	1/
Garnet .....	0.5	1/	8	1/	1	1/
Amber Durum .....	3.1	5.7	8,661	4.9	7,373	4.6
Alberta Winter .....	0.4	0.1	137	0.1	135	0.1
Toughs 2/ 3/ .....	9.5	2.5	4,720	2.7	11,893	7.4
Damps 2/ 4/ .....	0.1	0.1	183	0.1	925	0.6
Rejected 2/ .....	2.3	1.8	3,236	1.8	3,602	2.2
All others .....	0.5	0.3	593	0.3	712	0.4
Totals .....	100.0	100.0	175,640	100.0	161,016	100.0

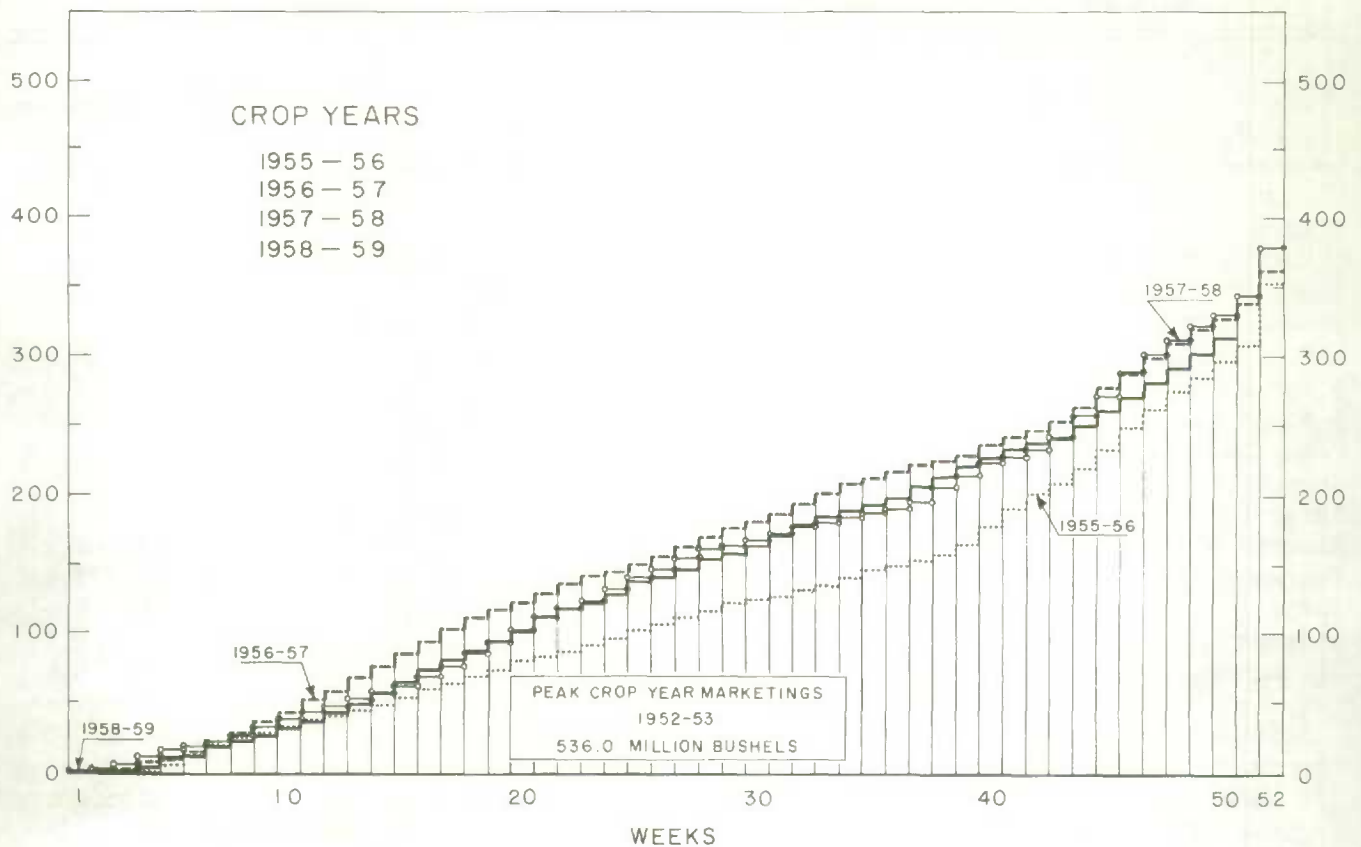
1/ Less than .05 per cent. 2/ All varieties and grades. 3/ Moisture content 14.9 to 17 per cent for Durum, 14.6 to 17 per cent for all other varieties.

4/ Moisture content over 17 per cent.

## WEEKLY VISIBLE SUPPLY OF CANADIAN WHEAT



## CUMULATIVE RECORD OF WHEAT MARKETINGS IN THE PRAIRIE PROVINCES BY WEEKS



(Data in both charts for crop years beginning August 1)



Wheat Shipments\* to the United States by Destination  
August 1, 1958 to July 15, 1959  
Compared with Approximately the Same Period 1956-57 and 1957-58

Destination	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59
- bushels -			
<u>By Vessel</u>			
Buffalo .....	3,095,249	4,118,574	2,386,679
Chicago .....	179,766	236,933	290,904
Duluth-Superior .....	1,594,846	2,067,911	959,322
Huron .....	30,000	35,000	-
Milwaukee .....	27,745	-	-
Totals, Vessel .....	4,927,606	6,458,418	3,636,905
<u>By Rail</u>			
U.S.A. Domestic Points .....	1,065,959	946,363	336,490
Totals, Rail .....	1,065,959	946,363	336,490
Totals, Shipments .....	5,993,565	7,404,781	3,973,395

\* Either for re-export or retention for domestic use. Excluding bagged seed.

Total rail and vessel shipments of wheat to the United States either for re-export or retention for domestic use, from the beginning of the 1958-59 crop year to July 15, amounted to 4.0 million bushels. During the comparable periods of 1957-58 and 1956-57 shipments amounted to 7.4 million and 6.0 million bushels, respectively. Of this season's total to date some 92 per cent was shipped by vessel.

Rail shipments of wheat to Maritime Ports from Bay, Lake and Upper St. Lawrence Ports during the August-June period of the 1958-59 crop year totalled 26.5 million bushels and exceeded by 7 per cent the comparable August 1957-June 1958 total of 24.7 million.

Rail Shipments of Wheat to Maritime Ports from Bay, Lake  
and Upper St. Lawrence Ports

Origin of Shipments	August 1, 1957 to June 30, 1958	August 1, 1958 to June 30, 1959
- bushels -		
Port McNicoll .....	6,500,967	6,730,923
Midland, Tiffin .....	10,746,107	10,304,063
Collingwood .....	1,268,250	823,444
Owen Sound .....	2,758,684	3,479,132
Goderich .....	276,293	79,337
Sarnia .....	1,956,705	3,241,395
Port Colborne .....	242,343	-
Toronto .....	34,000	143,634
Lakefield .....	936,214	1,166,736
Trent .....	-	199,607
Prescott .....	-	303,210
Totals .....	24,719,563	26,471,481

Rail Shipments of Wheat from Fort William-Port Arthur, 1955-56-1958-59

Month	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59
	- bushels -			
August .....	56,951	100,667	33,297	33,123
September .....	64,033	70,324	42,125	15,692
October .....	63,975	120,535	34,937	68,834
November .....	148,576	240,628	67,894	205,061
December .....	477,622	613,482	232,252	214,398
January .....	2,340,921	792,000	525,238	684,845
February .....	1,735,097	490,778	178,204	173,387
March .....	1,599,503	338,534	191,312	280,705
April .....	300,913	161,103	215,546	243,292
May .....	91,534	73,212	33,839	44,783
June .....	91,162	23,281	35,368	10,128
July .....	102,560	31,432	37,984	
Totals .....	7,072,847	3,055,976	1,627,996	

Distribution of Rail Shipments of Wheat from Fort William-Port Arthur, June 1959

Grade	Quebec	Ontario
	- bushels -	
4 Northern .....	1,500	2,250
Amber Durum .....	4,000	-
Others .....	1,000	1,378
Totals .....	6,500	3,628

Overseas Exports of Canadian Grain by Ports of Loading, August 1, 1958-July 15, 1959  
with Comparisons

Ports	Wheat 1/	Oats	Barley	Rye	Flaxseed
	- bushels -				
<u>Pacific Seaboard</u>					
Vancouver-New Westminster .....	101,753,629	3,717,398	25,462,714	318,682	5,858,112
Victoria .....	1,323,318	-	-	-	674,901
Prince Rupert .....	-	-	7,938,933	-	-
<u>Churchill</u> .....	17,780,909	313,829	-	-	-
<u>Lakehead Direct</u> .....	4,546,691	201,707	5,319,513	-	917,107
<u>Lake Ports Direct</u> .....	-	-	80,571	-	-
<u>St. Lawrence</u>					
Montreal .....	47,805,219	966,908	6,438,422	790,795	4,504,577
Sorel .....	17,177,705	65,793	2,824,194	-	-
Three Rivers .....	12,001,208	177,617	751,198	-	171,675
Quebec .....	9,363,786	-	1,842,432	-	-
<u>Maritime</u>					
Saint John .....	2,734,346	-	-	-	-
West Saint John .....	13,503,354	82,366	46,715	-	1,190,310
Halifax .....	13,233,767	-	-	-	123,760
Totals .....	241,223,932	5,525,618	50,704,692	1,109,477	13,440,442
August 1, 1957-July 16, 1958 .....	255,574,174	4,294,859	51,968,177	2,293,618	13,212,010

Overseas Clearances - Canadian Rapeseed 2/ August 1, 1958-July 15, 1959

Canadian Pacific Seaboard .....	bushels
Canadian Atlantic Seaboard .....	4,343,872
Total .....	1,171,513
	5,515,385

- 1/ Excluding bagged seed.  
2/ In bushels of 50 pounds.



Freight Assistance Shipments Claims filed for payment up to June 30, 1959 represent the movement of some 19.1 million bushels of wheat from the Prairie Provinces to Eastern Canada and British Columbia under the freight assistance policy during the August-May period of the current crop year. This preliminary total, subject to upward revision with the filing of additional claims, already surpasses by 18 per cent the revised August-May 1957-58 total of 16.2 million bushels. Shipments amounting to 8.1 million bushels to Ontario and 6.6 million to Quebec accounted for 43 per cent and 35 per cent, respectively, of the 1958-59 August-May total.

Provincial Distribution of Wheat Shipments under the Freight Assistance Policy  
August-May 1958-59 and 1957-58

Month	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	B.C.	Total
- thousand bushels -								
August, 1958 .....	10	28	122	74	732	856	219	2,041
September .....	17	18	118	66	757	944	299	2,220
October .....	16	21	133	70	804	1,041	232	2,317
November .....	16	18	155	74	714	769	193	1,940
December .....	9	11	112	50	629	839	214	1,862
January, 1959 .....	12	15	166	74	685	772	283	2,007
February .....	9	12	104	43	552	733	158	1,612
March .....	10	18	130	55	583	721	161	1,678
April .....	11	13	98	43	530	733	208	1,636
May .....	10	22	156	56	616	727	164	1,751
Totals <u>1/</u> .....	120	177	1,295	605	6,603	8,134	2,131	19,063
Same period 1957-58:								
Preliminary <u>2/</u> ...	84	142	905	438	5,149	6,811	1,987	15,516
Revised <u>1/</u> .....	86	145	924	468	5,298	6,990	2,252	16,163

Preliminary data on millfeed shipments under the freight assistance policy indicate shipments of 457,178 tons during the August-May period of the 1958-59 crop year. During the same months of the 1957-58 crop year claims had been filed for a total of 443,506 tons, indicating on the assumption of approximately the same rate of submission of claims during both crop years that the 1958-59 August-May shipments under the policy were running about 3 per cent above those of 1957-58. Revised data on the 1957-58 August-May shipments of millfeeds under the policy, based on claims submitted up to June 30, 1959 place the ten-month total at 460,429 tons. As with freight-assisted shipments of wheat, the greater portion of the millfeed shipments during the period under review went to destinations in Ontario and Quebec.

Provincial Distribution of Millfeed Shipments under the Freight Assistance Policy  
August-May 1958-59 and 1957-58

Province	1957-58		1958-59
	Preliminary 2/	Revised 1/	Preliminary 1/
		- tons -	
Newfoundland .....	3,028	3,096	3,032
Prince Edward Island .....	5,982	6,120	5,802
Nova Scotia .....	26,680	27,299	25,643
New Brunswick .....	21,075	22,005	23,517
Quebec .....	220,983	229,133	239,134
Ontario .....	136,125	139,840	126,457
British Columbia .....	29,633	32,936	33,593
Totals .....	443,506	460,429	457,178

1/ Based on claims filed up to June 30, 1959.

2/ Based on claims filed up to June 30, 1958.



Monthly Exports of Canadian Wheat and Wheat Flour  
Crop Years 1957-58 and 1958-59

Year and Month	Wheat in Bulk <u>1/</u>	Bagged Seed Wheat <u>2/</u>	Total Wheat	Wheat Flour <u>2/</u> <u>3/</u>	Total <u>3/</u> Wheat and Wheat Flour
- thousand bushels -					
<u>1957-58</u>					
August .....	24,716	184	24,900	2,686	27,586
September .....	21,166	194	21,360	3,059	24,420
October .....	17,915	71	17,985	3,472	21,457
November .....	27,906	233	28,139	3,307	31,446
December .....	19,900	455	20,355	3,209	23,564
January .....	18,843	834	19,677	3,166	22,842
February .....	18,562	740	19,303	2,764	22,067
March .....	19,443	984	20,427	3,814	24,241
April .....	22,787	330	23,118	3,957	27,074
May .....	35,266	33	35,299	3,742	39,041
June .....	26,905	114	27,019	3,862	30,881
July .....	22,283	47	22,330	3,343	25,673
Totals .....	275,693	4,219	279,912	40,381	320,293
<u>1958-59 <sup>4/</sup></u>					
August .....	23,152	237	23,389	2,900	26,289
September .....	16,112	221	16,333	2,307	18,640
October .....	25,532	111	25,642	3,452	29,094
November .....	21,437	256	21,693	3,267	24,960
December .....	19,864	418	20,282	3,280	23,562
January .....	17,893	585	18,478	3,526	22,003
February .....	17,685	774	18,459	2,559	21,018
March .....	18,579	1,437	20,016	2,541	22,557
April .....	18,918	623	19,542	3,296	22,838
May .....	29,040	335	29,375	3,120	32,496
June .....	27,842	40	27,882	3,857	31,739
Totals .....	236,054	5,038	241,092	34,105	275,197

1/ Export Clearances including shipments to the United States compiled by the Statistics Branch, Board of Grain Commissioners for Canada.

2/ Compiled from Canadian Customs returns, 1957-58 adjusted to remove effect of time lag in reporting.

3/ In terms of wheat equivalent. Wheat flour conversion rate: 2.3 bushels per cwt.

4/ Subject to revision. Unadjusted Customs returns.

Exports of Canadian Wheat and Wheat Flour by Destination 1958-59

Destination	March	June		August-June	
	Wheat Flour 1/	Wheat Flour 2/	Wheat 3/	Wheat Flour 2/	Wheat 3/
COMMONWEALTH COUNTRIES					
	- bushels -				
United Kingdom .....	1,343,219	1,160,612	7,596,991	12,728,527	83,422,483
<u>Africa</u>					
British East Africa .....	-	460	-	690	-
Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland .....	2,235	1,978	-	19,483	126,933
Gambia .....	1,035	1,518	-	12,898	-
Ghana .....	202,917	203,681	-	1,218,726	-
Nigeria .....	29,537	43,928	-	160,584	-
Sierra Leone .....	33,552	43,148	-	248,023	-
Union of South Africa ....	-	-	1,117,790	-	6,898,763
<u>Asia</u>					
Ceylon .....	-	-	-	1,842,866	-
Hong Kong .....	58,190	50,853	-	557,262	112,934
India .....	-	-	3,131,160	1,955	9,557,555
Malaya and Singapore .....	36,388	46,533	-	405,823	-
Other British East Indies.	193	-	-	1,739	-
Pakistan .....	-	-	516,100	345	2,842,642
<u>Europe</u>					
Gibraltar .....	7,213	-	-	37,867	-
Malta .....	-	-	-	-	900,146
<u>North America</u>					
Bahamas .....	14,934	32,623	-	255,914	-
Barbados .....	19,826	23,971	-	288,565	833
Bermuda .....	9,639	7,542	-	101,695	-
British Honduras .....	1,238	-	-	17,255	-
Jamaica .....	136,717	148,607	-	1,551,888	-
Leeward and Windward Islands .....	75,145	89,765	-	944,778	33
Trinidad and Tobago .....	134,325	137,859	-	1,519,329	-
<u>Oceania</u>					
Fiji .....	1,783	2,346	-	16,836	-
<u>South America</u>					
British Guiana .....	7,220	17,363	-	183,538	-
Totals, Commonwealth Countries ....	2,115,306	2,012,787	12,362,041	22,116,586	103,862,322

FOREIGN COUNTRIES

<u>Africa</u>					
Azores and Madeira .....	-	-	-	20,164	-
Belgian Congo .....	31,620	94,675	-	537,006	-
Egypt .....	-	148,069	-	197,669	-
Liberia .....	2,399	3,144	-	13,057	-
Morocco .....	632	759	-	2,974	-
Portuguese East Africa ...	-	230	-	3,820	173,600
Portuguese West Africa ...	8,685	13,446	-	73,842	-

Exports of Canadian Wheat and Wheat Flour by Destination 1958-59

Destination	March	June		August-June	
	Wheat Flour 1/	Wheat Flour 2/	Wheat 3/	Wheat Flour 2/	Wheat 3/
- bushels -					
<u>FOREIGN COUNTRIES</u>					
<u>Asia</u>					
Arabia .....	20,523	4,632	-	51,853	-
China .....	-	-	-	-	463,867
Formosa .....	-	-	7,616	-	7,616
Iran .....	-	-	-	448	-
Israel .....	-	-	-	-	1,043,467
Japan .....	71,339	187,540	5,295,030	1,012,182	37,226,201
Jordan .....	-	-	-	92	-
Lebanon .....	7,855	660,280	-	715,774	56,000
Nepal .....	-	-	-	-	36,543
Okinawa .....	-	-	58,053	-	419,813
Philippine Islands .....	-	185,375	-	2,960,040	1,092,000
Portuguese Asia .....	2,576	5,336	-	184,888	-
Syria .....	1,031	-	-	2,898	-
Thailand .....	1,150	23,460	-	291,134	-
<u>Europe</u>					
Austria .....	-	-	82,133	-	2,913,233
Belgium .....	76,401	-	826,601	244,853	10,004,143
Denmark .....	-	-	85,307	1,932	423,621
Finland .....	-	-	-	-	173,612
France .....	-	-	8,562	-	1,334,063
Germany, Federal Republic .....	-	-	3,684,188	-	33,308,618*
Greece .....	1,014	-	-	4,719	-
Iceland .....	-	1,610	-	13,209	-
Ireland .....	-	-	475,273	-	3,967,766
Italy .....	-	1,803	-	2,019	984,456
Italy (Vatican City) .....	-	-	-	-	91,863
Netherlands .....	-	-	59,048	6,452	7,581,813
Norway .....	-	-	90,832	-	3,574,728
Poland .....	-	-	1,616,944	-	5,408,331
Portugal .....	6,746	4,722	-	54,724	-
Sweden .....	-	-	-	1,012	29,867
Switzerland .....	-	-	265,268	-	5,694,379*
U.S.S.R. (Russia) .....	-	-	2,565,348	-	7,308,187
<u>North America</u>					
American Virgin Islands ..	-	-	-	345	-
Costa Rica .....	34,097	49,140	31,286	460,741	41,286
Cuba .....	27,503	51,603	-	317,557	1,918
Dominican Republic .....	49,910	30,820	-	604,637	1,000
El Salvador .....	32,085	33,661	-	351,376	-
French West Indies .....	690	805	-	7,774	-
Guatemala .....	14,131	14,492	-	243,793	83,333
Haiti .....	-	-	-	49,427	-
Honduras .....	11,201	7,107	-	66,659	8,333
Netherlands Antilles .....	12,482	14,616	-	134,154	-
Nicaragua .....	31,844	30,808	-	298,250	-
Panama .....	15,594	34,466	-	287,857	-
St. Pierre and Miquelon ..	2,160	1,886	-	18,389	-



Exports of Canadian Wheat and Wheat Flour by Destination 1958-59

Destination	March	June		August-June	
	Wheat Flour 1/	Wheat Flour 2/	Wheat 3/	Wheat Flour 2/	Wheat 3/
FOREIGN COUNTRIES					
- bushels -					
<u>North America (concluded)</u>					
<u>United States</u>					
Flour in terms of wheat.	115,506	214,155	-	1,552,994	-
For milling in bond 4/ .	-	-	101,272	-	1,408,216
For domestic use 4/ ....	-	-	138,938	-	1,888,643
<u>Oceania</u>					
French Oceania .....	186	368	-	920	-
Guam .....	1,208	-	-	1,208	-
<u>South America</u>					
Chile .....	-	12,420	-	41,630	-
Colombia .....	-	-	-	285,619	-
Ecuador .....	-	-	11,942	-	1,123,042
Peru .....	920	1,610	-	22,427	1,487,601
Surinam .....	7,861	10,815	-	85,650	-
Venezuela .....	-	563	76,171	760,007	2,464,267
<u>Wrecked</u> .....	-	-	-	-	366,200
Totals, Foreign Countries ....	589,349	1,844,416	15,479,812	11,988,175	132,191,626
Sub-Totals, All Countries.	2,704,655	3,857,203	27,841,853	34,104,761	236,053,948
Bagged Seed wheat 5/ .	-	-	40,418	-	5,038,280
Totals, All Countries.	2,704,655	3,857,203	27,882,271	34,104,761	241,092,228

1/ In terms of wheat equivalent. Adjusted to remove effect of time lag in the returns made by Customs. Conversion rate: 2.3 bushels per cwt.

2/ In terms of wheat equivalent. Unadjusted Canadian Customs returns. Conversion rate: 2.3 bushels per cwt.

3/ Overseas clearances as reported by the Statistics Branch, Board of Grain Commissioners for Canada, for all countries except the United States. Subject to revision.

4/ Compiled from returns of Canadian elevator licensees and shippers and advice from American Grain correspondents. Excluding bagged seed.

5/ Unadjusted Canadian Customs returns.

\* The following destination revisions have been made in the May 1959 exports - add Switzerland - deduct Germany - 17 bushels.

Canadian Wheat Board Weekly Average Cash Wheat Prices  
Basis in Store Fort William-Port Arthur

Class and Grade	Week Ending				
	July 3	July 10	July 17	July 24	July 31

- cents and eighths per bushel -

Initial Payment to Producers

1 Northern .....	140	140	140	140	140
2 Northern .....	136	136	136	136	136
3 Northern .....	132	132	132	132	132
4 Northern .....	125	125	125	125	125
5 Wheat .....	108	108	108	108	108
6 Wheat .....	102	102	102	102	102
Feed Wheat .....	96	96	96	96	96
1 C.W. Garnet .....	122	122	122	122	122
2 C.W. Garnet .....	117	117	117	117	117
1 Alberta Red Winter .....	124	124	124	124	124
2 Alberta Winter .....	119	119	119	119	119
1 C.W. Amber Durum .....	140	140	140	140	140
2 C.W. Amber Durum .....	136	136	136	136	136
3 C.W. Amber Durum .....	132	132	132	132	132

International Wheat Agreement  
and Domestic Sales

1 Northern .....	166/3	166/5	167/2	167/4	167/3
2 Northern .....	163/3	163/5	164/2	164/4	164/3
3 Northern .....	153/3	153/5	154/2	154/4	154/3
4 Northern .....	143/3	143/5	144/2	144/4	144/3
5 Wheat .....	140/7	140/5	141/2	141/4	141/3
6 Wheat .....	139/7	139/5	140/2	140/4	140/3
Feed Wheat .....	137/3	137/5	138/2	138/4	138/3
1 C.W. Garnet .....	150/3	150/5	151/2	151/4	151/3
2 C.W. Garnet .....	146/3	146/5	147/2	147/4	147/3
3 C.W. Garnet .....	143/3	143/5	144/2	144/4	144/3
1 Alberta Red Winter .....	151/3	151/5	152/2	152/4	152/3
2 Alberta Winter .....	146/3	146/5	147/2	147/4	147/3
3 Alberta Winter .....	142/3	142/5	143/2	143/4	143/3
1 C.W. Amber Durum .....	188/3	188/5	186/7	185/2	183/1
2 C.W. Amber Durum .....	185/3	185/5	183/7	182/2	180/1
3 C.W. Amber Durum .....	171/3	171/5	171	170/2	168/4

Export - Class II

1 Northern .....	166/3	166/5	167/2	167/4	167/3
2 Northern .....	163/3	163/5	164/2	164/4	164/3
3 Northern .....	153/3	153/5	154/2	154/4	154/3
4 Northern .....	143/3	143/5	144/2	144/4	144/3
5 Wheat .....	140/7	140/5	141/2	141/4	141/3
6 Wheat .....	139/7	139/5	140/2	140/4	140/3
Feed Wheat .....	137/3	137/5	138/2	138/4	138/3
1 C.W. Garnet .....	150/3	150/5	151/2	151/4	151/3
2 C.W. Garnet .....	146/3	146/5	147/2	147/4	147/3
3 C.W. Garnet .....	143/3	143/5	144/2	144/4	144/3
1 C.W. Amber Durum .....	188/3	188/5	186/7	185/2	183/1
2 C.W. Amber Durum .....	185/3	185/5	183/7	182/2	180/1
3 C.W. Amber Durum .....	171/3	171/5	171	170/2	168/4



Canadian Wheat Board Weekly Average Cash Wheat Prices  
Basis in Store Vancouver

Class and Grade	Week Ending				
	July 3	July 10	July 17	July 24	July 31

- cents and eighths per bushel -

Initial Payment to Producers

1 Northern .....	140	140	140	140	140
2 Northern .....	136	136	136	136	136
3 Northern .....	132	132	132	132	132
4 Northern .....	125	125	125	125	125
5 Wheat .....	108	108	108	108	108
6 Wheat .....	102	102	102	102	102
Feed Wheat .....	96	96	96	96	96
1 C.W. Garnet .....	122	122	122	122	122
2 C.W. Garnet .....	117	117	117	117	117
1 Alberta Red Winter .....	124	124	124	124	124
2 Alberta Winter .....	119	119	119	119	119
1 C.W. Amber Durum .....	140	140	140	140	140
2 C.W. Amber Durum .....	136	136	136	136	136
3 C.W. Amber Durum .....	132	132	132	132	132

International Wheat Agreement

and Domestic Sales

1 Northern .....	174/6	175	175/5	175/7	175/6
2 Northern .....	171/6	172	172/5	172/7	172/6
3 Northern .....	161/6	162	162/5	162/7	162/6
4 Northern .....	151/6	152	152/5	152/7	152/6
5 Wheat .....	147/6	148	148/5	148/7	148/6
6 Wheat .....	146/6	147	147/5	147/7	147/6
Feed Wheat .....	143/6	144	144/5	144/7	144/6
1 C.W. Garnet .....	149/6	150	150/5	150/7	150/6
2 C.W. Garnet .....	145/6	146	146/5	146/7	146/6
3 C.W. Garnet .....	142/6	143	143/5	143/7	143/6
1 Alberta Red Winter .....	149/6	150	150/5	150/7	150/6
2 Alberta Winter .....	145/6	146	146/5	146/7	146/6
3 Alberta Winter .....	140/6	141	141/5	141/7	141/6

Export - Class II

1 Northern .....	174/6	175	175/5	175/7	175/6
2 Northern .....	171/6	172	172/5	172/7	172/6
3 Northern .....	161/6	162	162/5	162/7	162/6
4 Northern .....	151/6	152	152/5	152/7	152/6
5 Wheat .....	147/6	148	148/5	148/7	148/6
6 Wheat .....	146/6	147	147/5	147/7	147/6
Feed Wheat .....	143/6	144	144/5	144/7	144/6
1 C.W. Garnet .....	149/6	150	150/5	150/7	150/6
2 C.W. Garnet .....	145/6	146	146/5	146/7	146/6
3 C.W. Garnet .....	142/6	143	143/5	143/7	143/6
1 Alberta Red Winter .....	149/6	150	150/5	150/7	150/6
2 Alberta Winter .....	145/6	146	146/5	146/7	146/6
3 Alberta Winter .....	140/6	141	141/5	141/7	141/6

CANADIAN FLOUR MILLING SITUATION

Production Wheat flour production by Canadian mills during June 1959 amounted to 3,387,000 hundredweight, representing an increase of 5 per cent over the May 1959 output of 3,239,000 hundredweight and 1 per cent greater than the June 1958 output of 3,349,000 hundredweight, but 2 per cent less than the ten-year (1949-1958) average production for the month of June of 3,460,000 hundredweight. Mills reporting operations during June 1959 had a total rated capacity of 168,000 hundredweight per 24-hour day and on the basis of a 26-day working period 78 per cent of this rated capacity was effective.

Wheat milled for flour during June 1959 amounted to 7.7 million bushels compared with 7.3 million bushels milled during the previous month and 7.6 million bushels milled during June 1958. Of the wheat milled for flour during June 1959, some 6.9 million bushels were Western Canadian Spring wheat (other than Durum) while the remainder consisted of Ontario Winter wheat (575,000 bushels); Durum (165,000 bushels); and all other (51,000 bushels).

Exports According to preliminary Customs returns, exports of Canadian wheat flour during June 1959 amounted to 1,677,000 hundredweight (some 3,857,000 bushels of wheat equivalent) representing an increase of 24 per cent more than the May 1959 total of 3,120,000 bushels, but relatively unchanged from the adjusted June 1958 total of 3,862,000 bushels. Flour shipments during the month went to forty-nine countries with exports to the United Kingdom amounting to 1,161,000 bushels of wheat equivalent and accounting for 30 per cent of the June 1959 total. Other leading markets for Canadian wheat flour during the month, with shipments in thousands of bushels of wheat equivalent, were as follows: Lebanon, 660; United States, 214; Ghana, 204; Japan, 188; Philippine Islands, 185; Jamaica, 149; Egypt, 148; and Trinidad and Tobago, 138.

Wheat Milled for Flour, and Production and Exports of Wheat Flour, Canada

Crop Year	Wheat Milled for Flour	Wheat Flour	
		Production	Exports <sup>1/</sup>
	- bushels -		- cwt. -
1935-36--1939-40 average .....	67,845,114	29,405,451	9,603,941
1940-41--1944-45 average .....	99,704,638	43,908,245	23,699,546
1945-46--1949-50 average .....	107,330,372	47,011,540	25,819,721
1950-51 .....	106,748,343	46,315,153	24,356,912
1951-52 .....	104,494,021	44,771,184	22,258,324
1952-53 .....	106,727,237	46,776,625	24,609,199
1953-54 .....	91,855,269	40,769,909	20,142,824
1954-55 .....	92,406,768	40,606,599	17,692,945
1955-56 .....	91,770,025	40,148,750	17,391,300
1956-57 .....	85,149,373	37,623,446	14,582,431
1957-58 revised .....	92,288,897	40,819,678	17,556,886
1958-59 <sup>2/</sup>			
August .....	6,970,180	3,057,783	1,260,887
September .....	7,245,459	3,204,752	1,002,932
October .....	8,568,635	3,790,938	1,500,875
November .....	8,790,501	3,864,304	1,420,445
December .....	7,799,160	3,430,870	1,426,069
January .....	7,355,254	3,262,763	1,532,857
February .....	7,100,596	3,138,112	1,112,783
March .....	6,849,713	3,035,219	1,104,661
April .....	6,995,509	3,110,689	1,432,887
May .....	7,298,044	3,238,516	1,356,716
June .....	7,663,985	3,386,581	1,677,045
Totals .....	82,637,036	36,520,527	14,828,157
Same months 1957-58 (revised) .....	85,300,316	37,740,070	16,103,443

<sup>1/</sup> Based on Customs returns. Exports for the crop years 1945-46--1957-58 revised to remove effect of time lag in the returns made by Customs.

<sup>2/</sup> Subject to revision.



UNITED STATES SITUATION

Disappearance of  
United States Wheat  
Increases 9 per cent  
from Preceding Year

Total disappearance (exports plus domestic use) of United States wheat during the crop year (July-June) 1958-59 amounted to 1,074.4 million bushels, exceeding the 1957-58 comparable total of 989.3 million. The increase in total disappearance from the 1957-58 level was due to the combined effect of increased total exports and larger domestic requirements. Preliminary data indicate that the 1958-59 exports of wheat, wheat flour and products in terms of grain equivalent amounted to 445.1 million bushels, representing an increase of 11 per cent over the 1957-58 total of 402.3 million. Exports of wheat as grain increased from 323.1 million in 1957-58 to 364.6 million in 1958-59 while exports of wheat flour and other wheat products were equivalent to 80.4 million bushels compared with 79.2 million in the preceding year. Domestic disappearance in the crop year recently completed increased from an estimated 587.0 million bushels in 1957-58 to 629.3 million in 1958-59. Although larger quantities of wheat entered United States export and domestic channels in 1958-59, the effect of this movement, as well as smaller carryover stocks at July 1, 1958, was more than offset by the record 1958 production of 1,462.2 million bushels. As a result, the July 1, 1959 carryover stocks, at 1,276.7 million bushels, were 45 per cent greater than the 1958 total of 881.0 million.

United States Wheat Supplies

Item	1957-58	1958-59 <u>1/</u>
	- million bushels -	
Carryover at beginning of crop year (July 1) .....	908.8	881.0
New crop .....	950.7	1,462.2
Total estimated domestic supplies .....	1,859.5	2,343.3
Imports of wheat and wheat flour in terms of wheat for domestic use, July-June .....	10.8	7.8
Total estimated supplies .....	1,870.3	2,351.1
Less estimated domestic requirements for crop year <u>2/</u> .	587.0 <u>3/</u>	629.3 <u>3/</u>
Available for export and for carryover .....	1,283.3	1,721.8
Deduct:		
Exports of wheat as grain, July-June .....	323.1	364.6
Exports of wheat flour and products in terms of wheat, July-June <u>4/</u> .....	79.2	80.4
Total exports of wheat, wheat flour and products <u>5/</u>	402.3	445.1
Balance on July 1 for export and for carryover .....	881.0	1,276.7

- 1/ Preliminary. 2/ Includes allowances for shipments of United States wheat and wheat products to Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, Guam, Samoa, Virgin Islands and Wake Island. These shipments are not included in exports as set out in the table.  
3/ Revised. 4/ Flour exports exclude "Milled in bond". 5/ These figures now include all shipments under relief programs which formerly were not available from Census data.

1959 Wheat Crop  
Forecast at 1,155  
Million Bushels

In a report released on July 10, the Crop Reporting Board of the United States Department of Agriculture stated in part that production of all wheat is expected to total 1,155 million

bushels. The prospective crop is about a fifth less than the record 1958 production but 7 per cent larger than average. Indicated yield per harvested acre, at 21.7 bushels, is sharply below the 1958 record yield but well above average.

Total acreage of all wheat harvested for grain is expected to be 53.2 million acres, only slightly less than the previous year but 12 per cent less than average. Seeded acreage of 58.8 million acres represents a 4 per cent increase over 1958 but is well below average. Current indications point to an all wheat abandonment and diversion of 9.5 per cent of the total acreage planted. This compares with the unusually small abandonment of 5.1 per cent in 1958 and the average of 13.8 per cent.

Combines were swarming northward over ripe fields by July 1 to keep pace with the rapidly maturing 933 million bushel crop of winter wheat. Production prospects declined slightly during June as the detrimental effects of mosaic, dry weather, and severe winter conditions became more evident in Colorado, Kansas, Nebraska, Illinois, and Indiana with only limited offsetting improved prospects elsewhere. The average yield of 23.0 bushels per harvested acre ranks as the second highest of record, topped only by the 1958 yield of 28.4 bushels.

Durum wheat production is forecast at 19.9 million bushels, 10 per cent less than last year and about one-third below average. The smaller crop is due to sharply reduced yields, 15.7 bushels compared with 23.8 last year. The South Dakota yield, estimated at 6 bushels per acre, is equal to the lowest of record since 1936 as extreme drought conditions aided by disease damaged the crop severely. Prospective yields in Minnesota, North Dakota, and Montana were off rather sharply compared with last year with moisture conditions only fair to good in these States.

Durum wheat was planted on 1,346,000 acres in the four major producing States in 1959, about two-fifths above last year's record low acreage but otherwise the smallest since records began in 1919. Record yields last year, together with a more competitive price compared with other spring wheat, encouraged growers to expand their acreage. But the harvested acreage, estimated at 1,271,000 acres, is the third lowest of record.

Production of spring wheat other than durum is forecast at 202 million bushels. This is 16 million bushels less than June 1 prospects. The decline came in the Dakotas. Extreme drought conditions in South Dakota, reduced indicated yields to the lowest level since 1937 and hot, dry conditions during most of June reduced prospects in North Dakota. Conditions were generally good in the Western States with prospects up in Washington but reduced in Utah, Idaho, and Oregon.

Wheat Carryover  
Amounts to a Record  
1,277 Million Bushels

According to a report published by the Crop Reporting Board, United States Department of Agriculture, wheat stocks of 1,277 million bushels stored in all positions on July 1 were nearly a half larger than last year and a record carryover for the date. Total stocks amounted to 87 per cent of the record 1958 harvest with about 95 per cent of the stocks either owned by the CCC or under CCC loan. Off-farm wheat stocks of 1,162 million bushels were two-fifths larger than a year earlier with increased holdings in all storage positions. Farm stocks of 115 million bushels were more than double a year earlier. Disappearance from all storages during the April-June quarter was 264 million bushels compared with 242 million a year earlier.



United States Wheat Stocks by Positions, July 1, 1959 with Comparisons

Position	July 1, Av. 1948-1957	July 1 1958	April 1 1959	July 1 1959
- thousand bushels -				
On Farms <u>1/</u> .....	71,660	50,867	282,989	114,908
Terminals <u>2/</u> .....	217,575	304,782	419,579	391,378
Commodity Credit Corp. <u>3/</u> .....	49,347	78,270	77,029	81,067
Int. Mills, Elev. & Whses. <u>1/ 4/</u> ....	271,541	447,128	761,126	689,368
Totals .....	610,124	881,047	1,540,723	1,276,721

- 1/ Estimates of the Crop Reporting Board.  
2/ Commercial stocks reported by Grain Division, AMS, at 45 Terminal cities.  
3/ Owned by CCC and stored in bins or other storages owned or controlled by CCC; other CCC-owned grain is included in the estimates by positions.  
4/ All off-farm storages not otherwise designated, including merchant mills.

National Average Support

Price for 1959-Crop

Wheat Unchanged at

\$1.81 per Bushel

On July 7 the U.S. Department of Agriculture announced that the national average support price for 1959-crop wheat will be \$1.81 per bushel, unchanged from the minimum "advance" support price announced May 1, 1958. Legislation requires that the final wheat support rate be determined on the basis of the wheat parity price as of the beginning of the marketing year and of wheat supply relationships of the same date. Currently, wheat supply relationships indicate a support level at 75 per cent of parity. This is the same per cent level of support indicated for the advance minimum support price which was announced in May 1958 in accordance with "forward pricing" provisions of law authorizing the setting of a minimum support price in advance of crop planting time, using the latest information and statistics available.

USDA Announces \$1.77

per Bushel Minimum

Support Price for

1960-Crop Wheat

On July 8 the U.S. Department of Agriculture announced an "advance" minimum national average support price of \$1.77 per bushel for 1960-crop wheat, if wheat marketing quotas are approved by producers in the July 23 referendum. The advance support price reflects 75 per cent of the estimated parity price for wheat as of the beginning of the 1960-61 marketing year on July 1, 1960. This level of support is indicated on the basis of estimated wheat supplies available for the marketing year.

Preliminary Vote Shows

Producers Approve

Marketing Quotas for

1960 Wheat Crop

Preliminary returns from a referendum held Thursday, July 23, in the 39-State commercial wheat-producing area for 1960 show that 80.7 per cent of the farmers voting favour marketing quotas on 1960-crop wheat, the U.S. Department of Agriculture announced on July 24. Last summer, 84.1 per cent of the farmers voting in a referendum voted favourably on marketing quotas for the 1959 wheat crop. Preliminary returns show a vote of 199,240. Of these, 160,718 (80.7 per cent) favoured marketing quotas on 1960-crop wheat and 38,522 (19.3 per cent) were opposed. Because wheat marketing quotas proclaimed by Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Taft Benson last June 1 are effective on approval by two-thirds or more of farmers voting in the July 23 referendum, marketing quotas will be in effect for the 1960 crop. This referendum marked the ninth time farmers have voted favourably on marketing quotas for wheat.

United States Exports of Wheat and Flour by Country of Destination  
July-May 1957-58 and 1958-59

NOTE

These data on exports by destination cover only the first eleven months of the United States crop year beginning July 1. The table on United States wheat supplies (see page 21) contains a preliminary estimate of total exports for the complete United States crop year. Neither of these tables should be confused with the United States export figure shown on page one of this publication which, for comparative purposes, is based on the Canadian crop year beginning August 1.

Destination	July-May 1957-58			July-May 1958-59		
	Wheat	Flour 1/	Total	Wheat	Flour 1/	Total
- thousand bushels -						
<b>Western Hemisphere</b>						
British West Indies .....	1	3,167	3,168	20	2,670	2,690
Central America .....	383	4,064	4,447	1,412	3,790	5,202
Cuba .....	3,369	4,136	7,505	3,835	2,943	6,778
Haiti .....	156	1,335	1,491	764	230	994
Brazil .....	8,937	2,081	11,018	17,471	-	17,471
Chile .....	1,968	92	2,060	-	27	27
Colombia .....	3,905	589	4,494	3,406	812	4,218
Peru .....	2,826	284	3,110	5,802	483	6,285
Venezuela .....	779	5,756	6,535	3,168	2,362	5,530
Others .....	1,526	2,973	4,499	1,206	2,651	3,857
Totals .....	23,850	24,477	48,327	37,084	15,968	53,052
<b>Europe</b>						
Austria .....	1,117	-	1,117	805	36	841
Belgium-Luxembourg .....	2,076	46	2,122	4,206	17	4,223
Denmark .....	1,341	11	1,352	1,062	-	1,062
France .....	-	11	11	2,669	3	2,672
Germany, West .....	16,230	38	16,268	15,065	10	15,075
Greece .....	2,920	3	2,923	1,689	-	1,689
Italy .....	742	2,205	2,947	746	948	1,694
Netherlands .....	3,839	3,474	7,313	7,986	3,296	11,282
Norway .....	334	816	1,150	3,749	713	4,462
Poland .....	18,479	-	18,479	9,131	-	9,131
Sweden .....	862	53	915	2,189	31	2,220
United Kingdom .....	18,159	909	19,068	21,271	2,971	24,242
Yugoslavia .....	14,193	28	14,221	27,991	-	27,991
Others .....	3,585	445	4,030	2,156	375	2,531
Totals .....	83,877	8,039	91,916	100,715	8,400	109,115
<b>Asia</b>						
Ceylon .....	-	608	608	-	1,970	1,970
India .....	74,292	22	74,314	113,145	44	113,189
Israel .....	9,176	46	9,222	7,537	9	7,546
Japan .....	40,463	2,093	42,556	29,195	1,864	31,059
Korea .....	11,626	1,129	12,755	7,338	864	8,202
Lebanon .....	-	1,308	1,308	2,493	1,630	4,123
Pakistan .....	21,281	1	21,282	15,309	170	15,479
Philippines .....	-	7,963	7,963	785	6,549	7,334
Saudi Arabia .....	14	1,819	1,833	56	2,263	2,319
Taiwan (Formosa) .....	6,378	5	6,383	5,709	-	5,709
Turkey .....	9,622	-	9,622	1,003	-	1,003
Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia ...	-	1,080	1,080	-	2,636	2,636
Others .....	3,435	1,402	4,837	2,443	1,841	4,284
Totals .....	176,287	17,476	193,763	185,013	19,840	204,853
<b>Africa</b>						
Algeria .....	-	9	9	1,486	1	1,487
Egypt .....	-	348	348	4,886	4,623	9,509
Ghana .....	-	1,509	1,509	-	1,310	1,310
Morocco .....	1,830	-	1,830	128	16	144
Tunisia .....	519	175	694	1,733	-	1,733
Western British Africa .....	-	2,137	2,137	-	2,166	2,166
Others .....	981	1,340	2,321	2,530	1,485	4,015
Totals .....	3,330	5,518	8,848	10,763	9,601	20,364
<b>Oceania</b> .....	-	40	40	-	28	28
Unspecified 2/ .....	658	15,754	16,412	1,086	17,979	19,065
Totals, All Countries ....	288,002	71,304	359,306	334,661	71,816	406,477

1/ Wholly of U.S. wheat (grain equivalent).

2/ Includes shipments for relief or charity which are not shown by destination.



Cash Wheat Prices on the Kansas City and Minneapolis Markets

No. 2 Hard Winter, Kansas City			No. 1 Northern Spring, Minneapolis		
Date		Price	Date		Price
- cents per bushel -			- cents per bushel -		
July 1, 1959	.....	187 1/4 - 199 1/2	July 1, 1959	.....	215 5/8 - 219 5/8
2	.....	189 1/4 - 196 1/4	2	.....	215 5/8 - 218 5/8
3	.....	MARKET CLOSED	3	.....	MARKET CLOSED
6	.....	188 3/4 - 206 1/2	6	.....	213 1/4 - 216 1/4
7	.....	189 1/2 - 212 3/4	7	.....	211 3/4 - 214 3/4
8	.....	188 1/2 - 203 1/2	8	.....	211 - 214
9	.....	188 1/2 - 196	9	.....	211 1/8 - 214 1/8
10	.....	187 1/2 - 195 1/2	10	.....	211 5/8 - 214 5/8
13	.....	189 - 212 1/2	13	.....	214 1/4 - 217 1/4
14	.....	188 - 207 1/4	14	.....	215 5/8 - 218 5/8
15	.....	187 1/2 - 207 1/2	15	.....	216 5/8 - 219 5/8
16	.....	188 - 201 1/2	16	.....	216 - 219
17	.....	188 - 205 1/2	17	.....	216 1/4 - 219 1/4
20	.....	189 1/4 - 207	20	.....	213 3/4 - 216 3/4
21	.....	189 1/4 - 203	21	.....	211 3/4 - 214 3/4
22	.....	189 3/4 - 209	22	.....	210 - 213
23	.....	189 3/4 - 207 1/2	23	.....	207 3/4 - 210 3/4
24	.....	192 1/2	24	.....	207 3/8 - 209 3/8
27	.....	191 3/4 - 208 1/2	27	.....	207 1/2 - 209 1/2
28	.....	189 1/2 - 209 1/4	28	.....	206 7/8 - 208 7/8
29	.....	191 1/4 - 208 1/2	29	.....	207 - 209
30	.....	192 1/4 - 210 1/4	30	.....	208 1/8 - 210 1/8
31	.....	192 1/4 - 199 1/4	31	.....	208 3/4 - 210 3/4

Chicago Wheat Futures High Points of Closing

Date	July	September	December	March	May	July	September
- cents and eighths per bushel -							
July 1, 1959	.....	186/5	190/6	196/4	199/5	197/4	182/6
2	.....	187/2	191/3	197/1	199/7	197/6	183
3	.....			MARKET	CLOSED		185
6	.....	187/6	191/7	197	200/2	198/1	183
7	.....	188/3	192/3	197/2	199/6	197/2	183/3
8	.....	187/6	191/6	196/4	198/5	195/4	182/6
9	.....	187	190/4	195/5	198/1	195/5	181/6
10	.....	186/7	190/6	195/6	198/4	195/6	181
13	.....	187/3	191	196/2	198/5	196/3	181/2
14	.....	186/6	190/4	195/5	198/2	196/1	181/1
15	.....	186/4	190/1	195/3	198/2	196	181
16	.....	186/2	189/4	195/1	197/7	195/4	180/4
17	.....	186/1	189/1	194/4	197/2	195/1	179/6
20	.....	187/1	190/2	195/5	198/3	196/3	180/1
21	.....	186/7	189/4	195	198/7	195/7	180
22	.....	187	189/3	194/5	197/4	196	180/4
23	.....		189/2	194/2	197	195/4	180
24	.....		189/6	194/4	197/4	195/4	181/4
27	.....		190/4	195/3	198/2	196	182
28	.....		189/6	194/6	197/5	195/4	181/4
29	.....		189/6	194/6	197/5	195/7	181/4
30	.....		190	195/2	198/2	196/4	181/6
31	.....		190/7	196/2	199/3	197/4	182/2

# AUSTRALIAN SITUATION

Supply Position      Estimated supplies of wheat in Australia for the 1958-59 (December-November) crop year amount to 230.5 million bushels, consisting of the December 1, 1959 carryover of 16.5 million and the new crop, estimated at 214.0 million. Supplies of the size indicated represent an increase of 64 per cent over the 1957-58 total (including imports of 1.5 million bushels) of 140.6 million bushels. After deducting 70.0 million bushels for anticipated domestic requirements, an estimated 160.5 million are available for export and for carryover during 1958-59, in contrast to 67.8 million in 1957-58.

## Australian Wheat Supplies

Item	1957-58	1958-59 <sup>1/</sup>
	- million bushels -	
Carryover, including flour as wheat, at beginning of crop year (December 1) .....	41.5	16.5
New Crop .....	97.6	214.0
Total estimated domestic supplies .....	139.1	230.5
Imports December-June .....	1.5	-
Total estimated supplies .....	140.6	230.5
Less estimated domestic requirements for crop year ...	72.8	70.0
Available for export and for carryover .....	67.8	160.5
Deduct:		
Exports of wheat as grain, December 1-June 27 .....	16.2	39.3
Exports of wheat flour in terms of wheat, December 1-June 27 .....	9.4	14.8
Total exports of wheat and wheat flour .....	25.6	54.1
Balance on June 28 for export and for carryover .....	42.2	106.4

<sup>1/</sup> Preliminary.

Combined exports of wheat as grain and wheat flour in terms of grain equivalent up to June 27 of the current Australian crop year amounted to 54.1 million bushels, more than double the 25.6 million exported during the corresponding period of 1957-58. The balance remaining on June 28, 1959 for export and for carryover, at 106.4 million bushels, exceeded by a wide margin the comparable 1958 total of 42.2 million.

The following information relative to the Australian situation has been extracted from a report from Mr. T.G. Major, Commercial Counsellor for Canada, Melbourne, under date of July 17, 1959 and is reproduced with the permission of the Trade Commissioner Service, Department of Trade and Commerce.

Seasonal Conditions and Prospects      Continued lack of rain in most of South Australia and in the main wheat growing areas of Victoria has prevented seeding of the 1959-60 wheat crop. In consequence, the early forecasts of large increases in sown acreage will not be borne out. On July 15 the Australian Wheat Board reported that in Victoria about 70 per cent of the land usually reserved for wheat remained unsown and that the position in South Australia was even worse. Even if



rain comes before the end of the month, barley is likely to be substituted by many growers. The position in the other States appears to be satisfactory except in the northern region of New South Wales where some rain would be helpful. Unless the dry weather continues and spreads, a crop of 160 million bushels could be harvested, made up by 14 million bushels from Queensland, 70 million from New South Wales, 20 million from Victoria, 10 million from South Australia and 46 million from Western Australia. This would be 25 per cent less than the outturn of the 1958-59 season but, at this time of year, with most of the crop still unsown or just sprouting, it is in the realm of pure speculation.

Wheat Marketing  
and Supplies

There has been more activity in the wheat export market during the past two or three weeks. Austria bought a cargo of Queensland wheat, Iraq two cargoes of bagged wheat from South Australia, Germany a cargo of New South Wales wheat and one from Western Australia. Malta bought from Western Australia, and New Zealand also was in the market for a substantial quantity. The sale of 50,000 tons (1,867,000 bushels) to Ceylon has been negotiated by the Wheat Board at a satisfactory price with deliveries spread over the next five months. Since the June report, the following sales of Australian wheat and wheat flour have been reported:

United Kingdom	..	13,430 long tons ( 501,000 bushels)
Austria	..	9,000 long tons ( 336,000 bushels)
Malta	..	9,500 long tons ( 355,000 bushels)
Germany	..	18,100 long tons ( 676,000 bushels)
Basra	..	20,100 long tons ( 750,000 bushels)
India	..	3,000 long tons ( 112,000 bushels)
Hong Kong	..	13,400 long tons ( 500,000 bushels)
Japan	..	28,500 long tons (1,064,000 bushels)
Philippines	..	2,300 long tons ( 86,000 bushels)
New Zealand	..	25,000 long tons ( 933,000 bushels)
Rhodesia	..	9,000 long tons ( 336,000 bushels)

Marketing Prospects

The Minister for Trade has pointed out that Australia faces unprecedented difficulties in selling wheat and flour on a congested world market where the current price trend is downwards. To be contended with are the wheat selling policies of the United States and Canada, protected high cost production in Europe and the prospects of large crops in North America and Europe. In commenting on proposals for the long term sale of 30 to 35 million bushels to Asian countries, the Minister said that because of overseas exchange problems, the Government could not sponsor such a policy at present, although later some of the Australian surplus might be disposed of under some such arrangement. Under the Colombo Plan Australia is keeping pace with other donor countries, but any increase in direct wheat and flour gifts is unlikely in the foreseeable future. Bakers have been sent to some Asian countries to give instruction in the use of flour made from Australian wheat. It is reported that a flour promotion committee will visit South Africa.

Miscellaneous

The New South Wales Grain Elevators Board is going ahead with the construction of concrete and steel bulk wheat storage at thirteen points in the State. In all, provision is being made for new storage capacity of 3,230,000 bushels, financed from State loan funds.

The New South Wales Department of Agriculture reports that specimens of stem rust on advanced wheat plants are being received from all parts of



the wheat belt. Depending upon spring weather conditions being favourable to the spread of spores, the possibilities of damage are even greater than was the case last year.

The Director of the Wagga Agricultural Research Institute (Dr. A.R. Pugsley) recently pointed out that the nitrogen content of Australian wheat soils is rising because of long rotations and the growing of legumes. This is being reflected in protein of the wheat, and research people are inclining to the view that this lifting of the protein content through improved soil fertility, could do more to assist bread quality than would the breeding of new varieties. Wheat breeding scientists also are in favour of a drastic reduction in the number of recommended varieties.

Exports of Australian Wheat and Wheat Flour in Terms of Wheat December 1 -  
June 27, 1958-59 and Corresponding Period 1957-58

Destination	Wheat		Wheat Flour	
	1957-58	1958-59	1957-58	1958-59
- thousand bushels -				
Aden .....	30	200	-	-
Aden and Aden I/T .....	-	-	526	927
Aden and Aden (Atta Flour) .....	-	-	44	246
Africa, South .....	-	1,486	-	-
Austria .....	-	74	-	-
Belgian Congo .....	-	-	3	1
British North Borneo .....	-	-	128	132
British West Indies .....	-	-	1	1/
Brunei .....	-	-	18	26
Burma .....	108	189	323	209
Ceylon .....	6	5	204	2,613
China .....	71	-	-	-
Cocos Islands .....	-	-	1/	1/
Cyprus .....	-	-	-	2
Dutch New Guinea .....	-	-	53	58
Eire .....	162	2,264	-	-
Germany, West .....	-	1,935	-	-
Ghana .....	-	-	1	9
Hong Kong .....	981	1,455	-	-
Hong Kong (General) .....	-	-	94	147
Hong Kong (a/c War Office) .....	-	-	4	-
India .....	209	960	-	-
Indonesia .....	-	-	1,180	1,411
Iran .....	-	203	-	-
Iraq .....	-	718	-	-
Japan .....	2,780	5,049	-	-
Kenya .....	-	785	-	-
Laos .....	-	-	-	4
Macao .....	-	-	4	4
Malaya .....	-	289	2,466 2/	1,742
Malaya (Atta Flour) .....	-	-	35 2/	19
Maldiv Islands .....	-	-	69	29
Malta .....	410	-	-	-
Mauritius .....	-	-	502	643
New Zealand .....	5,761	4,061	5	1/
Nigeria .....	-	-	2	2
Nyasaland .....	-	-	154	112
Okinawa .....	-	4	-	-

Exports of Australian Wheat and Wheat Flour in Terms of Wheat December 1 -  
June 27, 1958-59 and Corresponding Period 1957-58

Destination	Wheat		Wheat Flour	
	1957-58	1958-59	1957-58	1958-59
- thousand bushels -				
Pacific Islands .....	13	12	1,147	1,410
Pakistan .....	-	367	-	-
Pakistan (Atta Flour) .....	-	-	1	-
Persian Gulf .....	35	108	82	132
Persian Gulf (Atta Flour) .....	-	-	320	684
Philippine Islands .....	-	220	260	88
Port Said (a/c S/S) .....	-	-	9	9
Portuguese East Africa .....	-	37	-	-
Portuguese India (Goa) .....	-	67	16	62
Rhodesia .....	1,692	1,823	-	-
Sarawak .....	-	-	106	106
Saudi Arabia .....	113	49	30	-
Seychelles Islands .....	-	-	14	30
Singapore .....	354	73	2/	1,689
Singapore (a/c War Office) .....	-	-	61	38
Singapore (Atta Flour) .....	-	-	2/	37
Somaliland, British .....	-	-	3	7
Thailand .....	3	2	399	404
Timor .....	-	-	22	12
United Kingdom .....	3,403	15,078	867	1,552
Zanzibar .....	7	8	183	130
Royal Navy .....	12	20	7	6
Ships' Stores .....	-	-	60	69
Totals .....	16,150	37,541	9,400	14,800

1/ Less than 500 bushels.      2/ Malaya and Singapore.

FRENCH SITUATION

Supply Position      Total estimated commercial supplies of wheat in France for the crop year (August-July) 1958-59, consisting of the August 1 carryover of 31.7 million bushels and anticipated marketings of 235.2 million, are placed at 266.9 million bushels, 20 per cent less than the 1957-58 total of 334.4 million. Imports of wheat during the August-April period of the 1958-59 French crop year amounted to 4.2 million bushels. After deducting 205.8 million bushels for anticipated domestic requirements, a total of 65.3 million are available for export and for carryover, during 1958-59, sharply below the 1957-58 level of 117.6 million.

Combined exports of wheat and wheat flour in terms of grain equivalent during the August-April period of the 1958-59 crop year amounted to 28.8 million bushels representing a decline of 60 per cent from the August 1957-April 1958 total of 71.1 million. The balance of commercial supplies remaining on May 1, 1959 amounted to 36.5 million bushels compared with the May 1, 1958 total of 46.5 million.



French Supplies of Soft Wheat

Item	1957-58	1958-59 1/
	- million bushels -	
Commercial carryover, August 1 .....	35.5	31.7
Anticipated deliveries to Grain Board .....	298.8	235.2
Total estimated commercial domestic supplies .....	334.4	266.9
Imports, August-April .....	2/	4.2
Total commercial supplies .....	334.4	271.1
Less domestic requirements for crop year .....	216.8	205.8
Available for export and for carryover .....	117.6	65.3
Deduct:		
Exports of wheat as grain, August-April .....	51.9	19.2
Exports of wheat flour in terms of wheat, August-April .....	19.2	9.6
Total exports of wheat and wheat flour .....	71.1	28.8
Balance on May 1 for export and for carryover .....	46.5	36.5

1/ Preliminary. 2/ Less than 50,000 bushels.

The following account of the current crop situation in France has been extracted from a report by Miss V.F. Wightman, Agricultural Attaché, Canadian Embassy, Paris, under date of July 20, 1959, and is reproduced with the permission of the Trade Commissioner Service, Department of Trade and Commerce. Where possible, conversions from French to Canadian measures have been made and rounded for the convenience of our readers. Currency conversions have been made at the rate of one franc equals .002 Canadian dollars.

Weather and Crops The month of June and early July have been marked by higher than normal temperatures and low rainfall. This hot, dry weather has favoured maturing grain crops and haying, but has been less beneficial for root crops and pastures.

The grain harvest is frequently two weeks ahead of normal. Much of the winter barley has been cut and wheat harvesting had become general by mid July in the area around Paris. In sharp contrast with last year, harvesting conditions are excellent.

The July 1 official estimate of wheat production, at 11 million tons (402.1 million bushels) remains on the same level as in June. The estimated yield of 24.7 quintals per hectare (36.7 bushels per acre) is the highest yet recorded in France, and may be compared with the previous record of 23.7 (35.3 bushels per acre) in 1957. The grain should be drier than normal this year, and with good weight. Durum wheat is estimated at 62,700 tons (2,304,000 bushels), a yield of 18.2 quintals (27.1 bushels per acre) on 34,500 hectares (85,000 acres); this crop is around twice last year's level.

Winter barley, accounting for a fifth of the total, has developed satisfactorily. Spring-sown barley is more irregular for lack of rain. However, the crop should be abundant, at 4.7 million tons (215.5 million bushels) the highest apart

from 1956 when exceptional circumstances led to heavy spring sowings.

The July 1 official estimate of grain production and yields is as follows:

July 1 Estimate of Grain Production

Grain	Average 1954-1958	Final 1958	July 1, 1959
- thousand bushels -			
Wheat .....	347,562	352,779	402,098
Rye .....	18,005	16,918	18,694
Barley .....	172,020	178,759	215,498
Oats .....	220,906	171,015	179,591
Yield per Acre - bushels -			
Wheat .....	33.5	30.9	36.7
Rye .....	19.4	19.8	22.6
Barley .....	42.2	40.5	43.9
Oats .....	46.5	46.5	48.6

Source: French Ministry of Agriculture.

French Grain Board At its recent meeting, the Central Council of the French Grain Board reviewed the current crop year ending July 31. By June 1 farmers marketings had reached 6.4 million tons (235.2 million bushels), the level estimated last fall. Imports of soft wheat totalled 233,500 tons (8,580,000 bushels), and exports around 800,000 tons (29,395,000 bushels) while wheat sold for feed at subsidized price reached somewhat over 400,000 tons (14,697,000 bushels). Given domestic consumption for food around 4.7 million tons (172.7 million bushels), the Council expects a visible commercial carryover in the vicinity of 700,000 tons (25,720,000 bushels).

Durum Wheat The carryover is in the vicinity of 50,000 tons (1,837,000 bushels). During the 1958-59 crop year, the bulk of French domestic requirements of around 400,000 tons (14,697,000 bushels) were imported, of which 80 per cent from Morocco and Tunisia. French production in 1959 estimated at 62,700 tons (2,304,000 bushels) is about twice last year's, in response to the government's attractive support price, but still falls well short of the country's needs of around 400,000 tons (14,697,000 bushels). Furthermore, Algeria will again require durum imports, estimated for the moment at around 120,000 tons (4,409,000 bushels).

Pricing At the same meeting, the Council offered recommendations on pricing for the new crop year. Earlier in the year the French Government announced target prices for the principal grains, but the actual prices to be paid are not yet known.

Both the Council and, earlier, the Wheat Producers Association suggested upward revisions for most of the prices, to return to last year's parity between grain prices and indexes of goods and services required in agriculture. They also point out that the French Wheat price is now the lowest amongst Common Market countries; since prices within the Community must be brought more into line, they are anxious to see an increase in the French price for the coming season.



They proposed that the price for soft wheat be raised from 3800 francs per quintal (\$2.07 per bushel) to 4050 (\$2.20 per bushel); durum wheat from 4800 to 5000 (\$2.61 to \$2.72 per bushel); and oats from 2200 to 2300 francs (68 to 71 cents per bushel). The barley price would remain at the target level, but with a 600 franc (26 cents per bushel) margin in accordance with quality, particularly for brewers barley. Rye will presumably remain pegged at 80 per cent of the wheat price.

Both the Central Council of the Grain Board, and the Wheat Producers Association have asked for changes in the pricing system established under the Grain Plan 1958-1961. They point out that since the devaluation of the franc last December, export subsidies have been reduced, and with the new Franco-German grain agreement part of the export surplus will henceforth move at prices approaching the domestic level. They therefore advocate a revision of the share of export subsidies to be borne by State and producers. Specifically, they suggested that the full price guarantee apply to domestic consumption and export quantities heretofore the responsibility of the State, a total of 6.8 or 6.9 million tons; and secondly, that all producers contribute to the export subsidy fund, in place of the present exemption on the first 50 quintals (110 pounds).

Delivery Quotas As in other years, instructions have been issued to limit individual deliveries following harvest so that all growers may have equal access to country elevators. Up to the end of August, a farmer may deliver 50 quintals (110 pounds) plus one-eighth of his total deliveries from the 1958 crop. Thereafter, he may deliver a further one-eighth each month.

Payments on Account Until such time as the official grain prices are announced, country elevators and merchants are authorized to advance the following amounts with 1958's level in brackets:

Soft Wheat	\$1.31 per bushel	(\$1.25)
Durum Wheat	\$1.61 per bushel	(\$1.44)
Barley	.85 cents per bushel	(.78)
Rye	.97 cents per bushel	(.94)
Oats	.45 cents per bushel	(.37)

#### ARGENTINE SITUATION

Supply Position Total estimated supplies of wheat in the Argentine for the 1958-59 (December-November) crop year, consisting of the December 1, 1958 carryover of 54.1 million bushels and the new crop, officially placed at 246.9 million, amount to 301.0 million bushels, about 10 per cent greater than the 1957-58 total of 272.9 million. After deducting 147.0 million bushels for anticipated domestic requirements, an estimated 154.0 million are available for export and for carryover in 1958-59 compared with 133.3 million in 1957-58. Exports of wheat and wheat flour in terms of grain equivalent during the period December 1958-June 1959 amounted to 67.6 million bushels, sharply above the total of 38.7 million exported during the same months of 1957-58. The balance remaining on July 1, 1959 for export and for carryover was estimated at 86.4 million bushels compared with the July 1, 1958 total of 94.6 million.

# Argentine Wheat Supplies

Item	1957-58	1958-59 <u>1/</u>
- million bushels -		
Carryover at beginning of crop year (December 1) <u>2/</u> ..	59.4	54.1
New Crop <u>3/</u> .....	213.5	246.9
Total estimated domestic supplies .....	272.9	301.0
Less estimated domestic requirements for crop year ...	139.6	147.0
Available for export and for carryover .....	133.3	154.0
Deduct:		
Exports of wheat as grain, December-June .....	38.3	66.7
Exports of wheat flour in terms of wheat, December - June .....	0.4	0.3
Total exports of wheat and wheat flour .....	38.7	67.6
Balance on July 1 for export and for carryover .....	94.6	86.4

1/ Preliminary.    2/ Includes allowances for farm stocks.    3/ Official estimate.

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## Weather and Crops

The weather in general during the period under review has been unfavourable both for the corn, which is still being harvested, and for the growing winter crops and those now being sown. There were widespread rains during the latter part of last June, especially during the two last days of the month. These rains were heavy and covered almost all of the grain regions. There was a spell of cold, dry weather during the first half of July, including some rather widespread frosts, all of which contributed to better conditions for the sowing of the winter crops, and for the corn harvest. However weather changed once again, and on July 18, 19 and 20 very heavy rains were again widespread (especially in the eastern part of the country). On July 21 the weather turned once again fine, dry and cold, with the exception of the coastal regions from Necochea to Tres Arroyos, in the Southwest part of the Province of Buenos Aires, where it has still not cleared up. Weather conditions have deteriorated once again as of the present date, and last minute reports announce stormy weather in the northern grain regions, and also in the Southwest of the Province of Buenos Aires, with the exception of the Bahía Blanca region where the weather still remains fine and cold.

The corn harvest has been once again delayed due to these rains. The grain arriving at the ports is always excessively damp. The sowing of wheat and other grains has been delayed, and in some regions, at certain times, completely paralyzed. Neither is the future outlook favourable, as the weather continues to be most unsettled. Further rains and damp conditions are to be expected.

## Wheat 1958-59

There was decreased activity in the wheat market during the period under review. Total sales amounted to 25,168 metric tons (925,000



bushels). Of these, 20,000 metric tons (735,000 bushels) were "Candeal" type grain, of the 1958-59 crop, which sold at 4,372 pesos (\$1.40 per bushel). The Brazilian Government bought 3,000 metric tons (110,000 bushels) of Southern type wheat, 1958-59 at US\$ 61.- per metric ton (\$1.66 per bushel). In addition there were two small sales, one of 1,568 metric tons (58,000 bushels) of 1956-57 grain at 2,755 pesos (88 cents per bushel) and one of 600 metric tons (22,000 bushels) of Southern wheat 1958-59 crop at 4,000 pesos (\$1.28 per bushel). The Grain Board announced on Monday, June 29 that it would start receiving bids for the sale of 50,000 metric tons (1,837,000 bushels) for Perú according to the following specifications: hard and semihard grain, 1958-59 crop, for shipment during July or August or September. It is reported that the bids entered by local grain firms were all rejected on account of what the Grain Board considered low prices. It is estimated that a price of US\$ 91.- per metric ton (\$2.48 per bushel) would have been acceptable. On July 17 the Board announced that its proposal had been withdrawn. Wheat shipments showed a slight decrease from the previous month of May.

Wheat  
1959-60

Wheat sowings of the new crop are well under way, although more than once hindered, and in some cases completely paralyzed by the very frequent rains. At present however sowings are practically completed in all the northern regions. It is reported that all areas of central and western Santa Fe Province and Córdoba Province where drought was so damaging to last year's crops, have this year been sown extensively with wheat, profiting from the abundant soil moisture which did not hinder seeding as was the case in the southerly parts of the same provinces, and in the Province of Entre Rios, and northern Buenos Aires Province. Rains also were detrimental to the sowings in the Southwest part of the Province of Buenos Aires, especially from Necochea to Tres Arroyos, where work on the land was completely paralyzed. However in these southern regions there is still time to sow until August. Accordingly further sowings are to be expected encouraged by the recently set minimum producers' prices, including the one for wheat of 300 pesos per 100 kilos (96 cents per bushel), and the announced freeing of the wheat trade. It is yet too early to give any accurate estimate of what the final seeded area will be but a rough figure would be about 15 to 20 per cent less than the 5,680,000 hectares (14 million acres) of 1958-59. By the end of June, the already growing stands were reported to be in good condition, having attained in certain regions the prime foliating stage.

As a result of the establishment of the new minimum producers' price for this grain, and the freeing of the trade in it, some sales have already taken place in the Buenos Aires Futures Market, which started its operations for new wheat on Monday, July 20. These sales, although involving only small quantities, and being rather of a speculative character, nevertheless give an idea of what the prices will be for the new wheat. On July 20 three lots of 200 metric tons (7,300 bushels) each were sold respectively at 428 - 440 - and 460 pesos per 100 kilos (\$1.37 - \$1.41 - and \$1.47 per bushel), f.o.b. These were for delivery December 1959-January 1960.

Oats,  
Barley  
and Rye

Information on the conditions affecting these grains is rather scant. By the end of June, in spite of the delays caused by the persistent rains, sowing had been completed of oats, fodder barley and rye, in many areas of the Province of Buenos Aires, Santa Fe, San Luis and La Pampa, while this work continued in other areas. The lots already growing show good condition, some having already reached the foliating stage. As regards brewers' barley, a sizeable proportion of the seeding has yet to be done in the main growing region for this grain, the Southwest of the Province of Buenos Aires centering on Bahía Blanca.

No information is available regarding any sales of these grains from the 1958-59 crops which may have been made.

Shipments of these three grains dropped even further below the small

totals for the month of May. They reached respectively: oats, 1,128 metric tons (73,000 bushels); rye, 7,985 (314,000 bushels); and barley, 39,448 (1,812,000 bushels).

Policy New Minimum Producers' Prices announced On July 14 an official decree was published establishing the new minimum producers' prices that will rule for grains and oil-seeds, for the crop year 1959-60. According to the official text, it was stated that although it is the avowed official purpose to free completely the trade in all grains, nevertheless, in order to safeguard the interest of the producers, minimum prices should be established, and should the private trade be unable to buy all that may be offered to it, the Government through its official body, the National Grain Board, will be ready to buy any existing surplus. In that way the aim of complete free trade and simultaneous protection of the grain producers is to be attained.

The table that follows shows the newly established prices, as compared to those ruling for the 1958-59 crop.

It should be clearly understood that with the freeing of the wheat trade the new wheat price is now a floor price, as are the prices for all the other grains, and not as formerly, a fixed and only price.

Argentine Minimum Producers Prices for Grains and Oilseeds  
(in pesos per 100 kilos, f.o.r. Buenos Aires in bags)

	Crop Year	
	<u>1958-59</u>	<u>1959-60</u>
<u>WHEAT</u>		
Semi-hard, Grade 2, 78 kilos per hectolitre (Hard 3% Premium) .....	200.00	300.00
"Durum" Grade 2, 78 kilos per hectolitre .....	200.00	300.00
<u>BARLEY</u>		
Brewers barley, Grade 2, 65 kilos per hectolitre basis .....	140.00	190.00
Fodder barley, Grade 2, 59 kilos per hectolitre basis .....	130.00	175.00
<u>OATS</u>		
Yellow, Grade 2, 47 kilos per hectolitre basis .....	110.00	180.00
White, Grade 2, 49 kilos per hectolitre basis .....	115.00	185.00
<u>RYE</u>		
Grade 2, 73 kilos per hectolitre basis .....	120.00	170.00
<u>FLAXSEED</u>		
Grade 2, basis 4% foreign matters .....	400.00	500.00

Freeing of the wheat trade The complete liberation of the wheat trade is a part of the decree which establishes the new minimum grain prices. The new



Secretary of Agriculture and Livestock, expressed the hope that the newly established price for wheat, and the freeing of the trade for future crops would encourage further sowings of this grain in those regions in the southern part of the Province of Buenos Aires where there is still time to do so. However not for a fifteen or twenty days more will it be possible to tell whether these expectations have been fulfilled.

Grain Shipments Grain shipments at 574,497 metric tons showed an increase from the 442,552 tons of last May. Wheat accounted for 279,602 metric tons (10,274,000 bushels) of the total, with Brazil as the main customer with 199,136 metric tons (7,317,000 bushels). Other important buyers were the United Kingdom, 50,302 (1,848,000 bushels); Western Germany, 11,940 (439,000 bushels); and the Netherlands, 10,478 metric tons (385,000 bushels) while small lots went to Belgium, Spain, North Africa and Paraguay. Corn at 246,334 metric tons (9,698,000 bushels) accounted for almost all of the remaining total. Italy was the main buyer with 124,250 metric tons (4,891,000 bushels), while the Netherlands bought 35,189 (1,385,000 bushels); Belgium, 23,727 (934,000 bushels); the United Kingdom, 19,560 (770,000 bushels); and Japan, 11,345 (447,000 bushels). Less important lots were purchased by Sweden, Austria, Switzerland and Spain. Barley shipments at 39,448 metric tons (1,812,000 bushels) included 26,578 (1,221,000 bushels) bought by Western Germany, 3,880 (178,000 bushels) bought by Austria, 3,265 (150,000 bushels) by Italy and 3,211 (147,000 bushels) by the Netherlands. Less important lots went to other buyers. Rye shipments at 7,985 metric tons (314,000 bushels) were distributed between Western Germany, the Netherlands, Belgium and Denmark. There was only one shipment of oats, namely 1,128 metric tons (73,000 bushels), which was bought by Brazil.

Argentine Wheat Exports December 1958 - June 1959 with Comparisons

Destination	Wheat	Destination	Wheat
	- thousand bushels -		- thousand bushels -
Africa, North .....	974	Madeira .....	254
Belgium .....	1,789	Netherlands .....	4,254
Bolivia .....	606	Norway .....	88
Brazil .....	33,933	Paraguay .....	1,085
Denmark .....	588	Peru .....	1,563
France .....	2,041	Spain .....	100
Germany, Western .....	6,994	Switzerland .....	11
Italy .....	480	United Kingdom .....	11,640
Lebanon .....	289	Yugoslavia .....	37
		Total .....	66,727
Same Period:			
1957-58 .....			38,261
1956-57 .....			60,761
1955-56 .....			58,666
1954-55 .....			77,262
1953-54 .....			55,857

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crop is forecast at close to a record 200 million bushels. Egypt's current wheat crop is now placed at 53 million bushels compared with the record 1954 harvest of 63.5 million. Growing conditions were reported to be exceptionally favourable for development of Austria's 1959 grain crop, and record yields are forecast. A prolonged drought damaged the 1959 wheat crop in the Netherlands and although harvesting was proceeding under good conditions much of the grain was reported to be shrivelled as a result of the two-month drought. Torrential rains broke the drought over most of the country early in July.

CALENDAR OF WHEAT EVENTS

- July 3     The Canadian Wheat Board announced that the initial payment effective for wheat from August 1, 1959 to July 31, 1960 would be \$1.40 per bushel basis the grade No. 1 Northern in store Fort William-Port Arthur.
- 7         The United States Department of Agriculture announced that the national average support price for 1959 crop wheat would be \$1.81 per bushel.
- 10        According to a report published by the Crop Reporting Board of the United States Department of Agriculture, production of all wheat in the United States, based on conditions at July 1, was forecast at 1,155 million bushels.
- 14        An official decree was published completely freeing the Argentine wheat trade and establishing the minimum price for 1959-60 wheat, not sold privately, at 300 pesos per 100 kilos (96 cents per bushel).
- 21        The Canadian Wheat Board, in an Instruction to the Trade, announced that the rate of interest applicable to all transactions relevant to the handling of Board Agency Wheat has been increased from 4 3/4 per cent to 5 1/4 per cent per annum, effective as from May 25, 1959.
- 24        Wheat stocks in all positions in the United States on July 1, 1959 were estimated at a record 1,277 million bushels.
- According to an announcement by the United States Department of Agriculture preliminary returns from a referendum held July 23 in the 39-State commercial wheat-producing area for 1960 show that 80.7 per cent of the farmers voting favoured marketing quotas on 1960-crop wheat.
- 28        According to a report published by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, a preliminary estimate places Canada's total wheat acreage in 1959 at 23.1 million acres, 10 per cent above last year's 20.9 million and 7 per cent below the 1948-1957 average of 24.8 million acres.





# CANADIAN WHEAT AND WHEAT FLOUR\* EXPORTS

(SPECIFIED PERIODS)

MILLION BUSHEL

350 —

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300 —

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250 —

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200 —

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150 —

—

100 —

—

50 —

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30 year average 10 year average

1927-28

1947-48

1956-57

1956-57

\* In terms of grain equivalent.

PEAK EXPORTS  
1928-29 CROP YEAR  
407.6 MILLION BUSHEL

JULY

JUNE

MAY

APR.

MAR.

FEB.

JAN.

DEC.

NOV.

OCT.

SEPT.

AUG.

1954-55

1955-56

1956-57

1957-58

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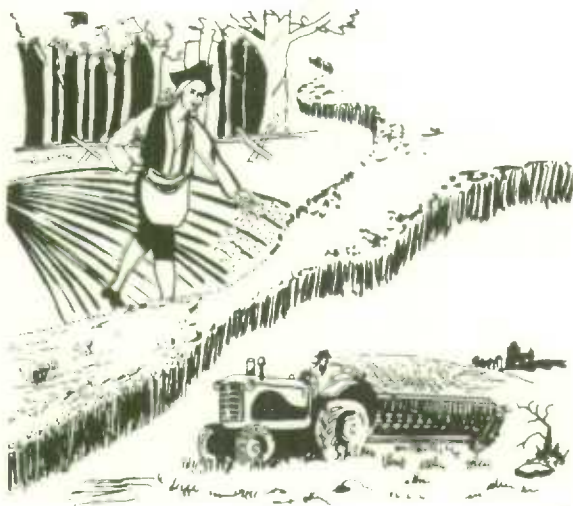
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