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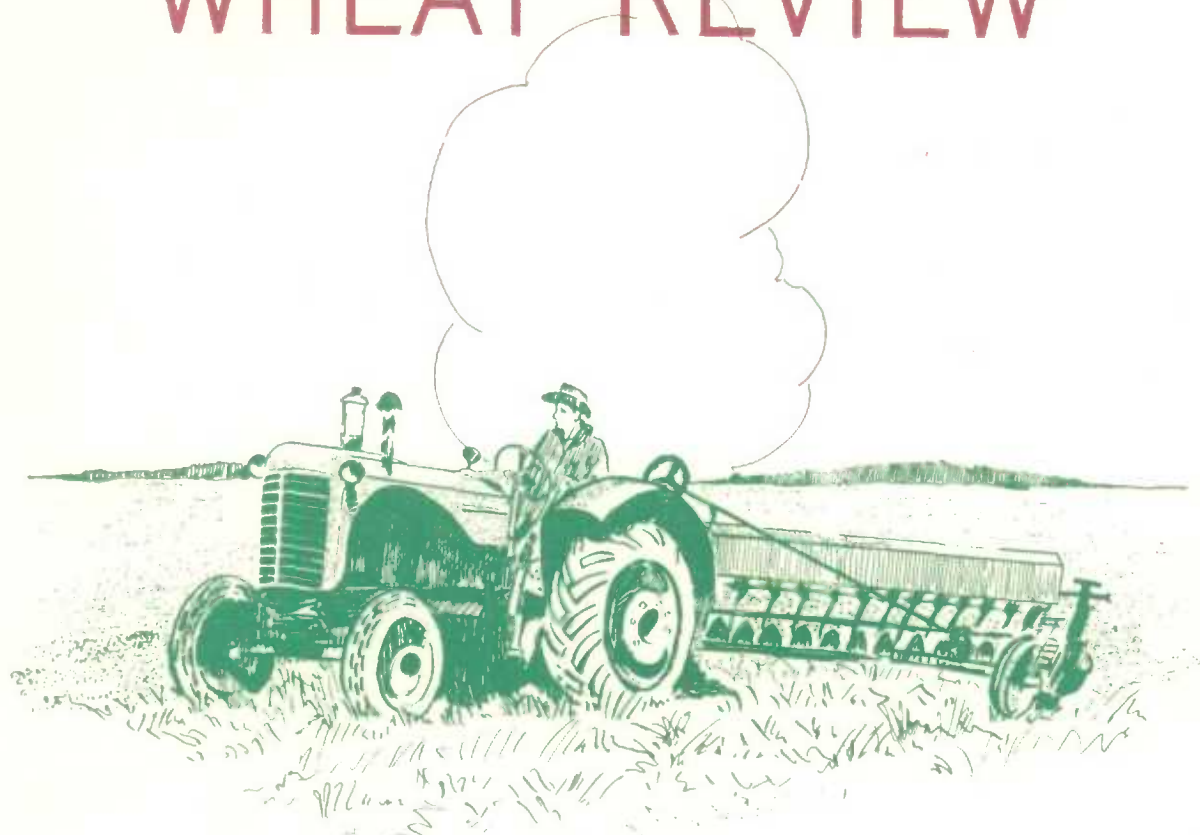
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WORLD WHEAT SITUATION

Wheat Supplies of Latest available estimates indicate that supplies of wheat re-
Major Exporters maining on or about April 1, 1962 in the four major exporting
Lowest in Four Years countries for export and for carryover at the end of their
 respective crop years amounted to 2,103.1 million bushels, 15
 per cent below the 2,482.3 million available a year ago, and the lowest level for this
 date since 1958. Supplies at April 1, 1962, in millions of bushels, were held as
 follows, with last year's comparable figures in brackets: United States, 1,529.9
 (1,580.1); Canada, 394.6 (674.2); Argentina, 49.0 (40.4); and Australia, 129.6 (187.6).
 Estimates for both years include on-farm stocks as well as those in commercial positions.

Shipments from Four Major World wheat exports in the first eight months of the
Exporters 100 Million 1961-62 crop year have moved in an unprecedented volume
Bushels Above Last Year and, should this trend continue, the 1960-61 record level
 of 1.5 billion bushels will be surpassed. Import re-
 quirements for wheat remain high in Asia, in Western Europe and in many North African
 countries.

During the August-March period of the current crop year
 total exports of wheat and flour in terms of wheat from the four major exporting
 countries were at an exceptionally high level of 919.5 million bushels, some 12 per
 cent more than the 817.6 million exported during the same months of 1960-61 and 67 per
 cent greater than the ten-year 1950-51--1959-60 August-March average of 549.3 million.
 Wheat and flour exports, including those under government programmes, from the United
 States, Canada, and Australia were at sharply higher levels in August-March this year
 than last, while those from Argentina were only fractionally lower. Canadian wheat
 and flour exports during August 1961-March 1962, based on preliminary data, amounted
 to some 243.9 million bushels, 19 per cent above those for the same months last year
 and the third largest total on record for the first eight months of the crop year.
 Shipments from the four traditional major wheat exporters during August 1961-March 1962
 and 11 preceding years (Canadian) are shown in the table below.

Exports of Wheat and Flour in Terms of Wheat, August 1961-March 1962
 with Comparisons

August-March	United States	Canada	Argentina	Australia	Total
- million bushels -					
1950-51	198.3	135.9	54.4	80.3	468.9
1951-52	333.4	200.1	23.9	62.8	620.2
1952-53	233.0	224.7	6.0	56.7	520.4
1953-54	125.7	170.9	78.0	40.2	414.8
1954-55	188.1	172.7	92.2	62.8	515.8
1955-56	185.5	160.8	80.4	63.5	490.2
1956-57	356.3	178.0	62.8	97.6	694.7
1957-58	255.5	197.6	48.5	46.4	548.0
1958-59	297.2	188.5	61.7	50.4	597.8
1959-60	309.7	190.9	41.5	80.1	622.2
1960-61 <u>1/</u>	447.8	205.8	55.4	108.6	817.6
1961-62 <u>2/</u>	479.1	243.9	54.6	141.9	919.5

1/ Revised.

2/ Preliminary.

International Wheat Council
Cumulative Totals of Commercial Purchases by Importing Countries from Exporting Countries
Crop Year 1961-62 -- Through March 3, 1962

Importing Countries	EXPORTING COUNTRIES							Total Purchases
	Canada	Argentina	Australia	France	Italy	Sweden	U.S.A.	
- thousand bushels -								
Austria	1,555	33	-	-	-	-	277	1,865
Belgium & Luxembourg	7,483	670	-	14	-	-	3,890	12,057
Brazil	-	5,360	-	-	-	-	-	5,360
Costa Rica	742	-	-	-	-	-	736	1,478
Cuba	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dominican Republic	730	-	-	-	-	-	109	839
El Salvador	557	-	-	-	-	-	458	1,015
Germany, Federal Republic	35,356	7,870	10,258	9,450	-	4,955	14,080	81,969
Greece	5	-	-	-	-	-	6	11
Guatemala	104	-	-	-	-	-	1,269	1,373
Haiti	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2
Honduras Republic	96	-	-	-	-	-	506	602
Iceland	7	-	-	-	-	-	63	70
India	-	-	12,090	1	-	-	1,793	13,884
Indonesia	-	-	733	488	-	-	-	1,221
Ireland	1,524	19	1,035	26	-	-	161	2,765
Israel	829	-	-	-	-	-	2,423	3,252
Japan	30,643	-	10,664	-	-	-	25,807	67,114
Korea	-	-	-	-	-	-	919	919
Netherlands	1,394	1,268	2	445	-	588	19,382	23,079
Netherlands Territories	219	-	95	-	-	-	518	832
New Zealand	-	-	4,150	-	-	-	-	4,150
Nigeria	1,073	-	-	-	15	-	1,033	2,121
Norway	1,729	213	2,038	-	-	235	2,062	6,277
Panama	390	-	-	43	-	-	553	986
Peru	14	2,951	-	38	-	-	876	3,879
Philippines	3,795	-	113	-	-	-	7,437	11,345
Portugal	10	-	2	273	-	-	4,096	4,381
Portuguese Territories	719	-	307	193	1	-	312	1,532
Rhodesia & Nyasaland	87	-	2,449	2	-	-	1	2,539
Saudi Arabia	206	-	344	14	3	-	1,697	2,264
Sierra Leone	304	-	-	-	-	-	35	339
South Africa	-	-	1,210	-	1	-	-	1,211
Switzerland	4,349	293	-	1,221	107	-	789	6,759
United Arab Republic	2	-	3,070	-	61	-	-	3,133
United Kingdom	64,851	5,479	21,716	3,069	-	-	14,522	109,637
U.K. Territories	5,860	-	6,998	1,911	-	-	3,615	18,384
Vatican City	377	-	-	-	-	-	367	744
Venezuela	3,532	367	-	-	-	-	8,300	12,199
To Orders	-	8,720	-	-	-	-	-	8,720
Totals	168,542	33,243	77,274	17,188	188	5,778	118,094	420,307
Percentage of Total Sales by Exporting Countries ...	40.10	7.91	18.39	4.09	.04	1.38	28.09	100.00

NOTE: Mexico and Spain - no sales reported.

Argentine figures cover period from August 1, 1961 to February 2, 1962.

CANADIAN SITUATION

Supply Position Total estimated supplies of wheat for the 1961-62 (August-July) crop year, consisting of the August 1 carryover of 526.8 million and the 1961 production of 261.7 million, are placed at 788.5 million bushels, representing a decrease of 23 per cent from the 1960-61 total of 1,027.2 million. After deducting 150.0 million bushels for anticipated domestic requirements, supplies available for export and for carryover during 1961-62 would amount to 638.5 million bushels, 27 per cent below the 880.1 million in 1960-61.

Exports of wheat as grain during the August-March period of the current crop year amounted to 222.0 million bushels, 22 per cent greater than the 181.4 million exported during the same months a year ago. Exports of wheat flour, in terms of wheat, during August-March this year were estimated at 21.9 million bushels, bringing total exports of wheat and flour during the same eight months, to some 243.9 million bushels and representing an increase of 18 per cent over the 205.8 million of a year ago. The balance remaining on April 1, 1962 for export and for carryover, amounted to 394.6 million bushels, 41 per cent less than the April 1, 1961 total of 674.2 million.

Canadian Wheat Supplies

Item	1960-61 <u>1/</u>	1961-62 <u>2/</u>
	- million bushels -	
Carryover in North America at beginning of crop year (August 1)	537.6	526.8
New Crop	489.6	261.7
Imports of wheat for domestic use, August-December ..	<u>3/</u>	<u>3/</u>
Total estimated supplies	1,027.2	788.5
Less estimated domestic requirements for crop year ..	147.1	150.0
Available for export and for carryover	880.1	638.5
Deduct:		
Exports of wheat in bulk, August-March <u>4/</u>	175.6	220.0
Exports of bagged seed wheat, August-March <u>5/</u>	5.9	1.9 <u>6/</u>
Total exports of wheat as grain	181.4	222.0
Exports of wheat flour in terms of wheat, August-March <u>5/</u>	24.4	21.9 <u>7/</u>
Total exports of wheat and wheat flour	205.8	243.9
Balance on April 1 for export and for carryover	674.2	394.6

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, 1960-61 adjusted for time lag.

6/ August-February only.

7/ Includes an estimate for March.

Deliveries of wheat from farms (both East and West) up to April 18 of the current crop year amounted to 192.5 million bushels compared with last year's corresponding total of 217.2 million. Grading of this year's marketings continues to reflect the excellent quality of the 1961 crop, with the Board of Grain Commissioners' inspections during the first eight months of the current crop year indicating that 92 per cent of inspected marketings were recorded in the grades No. 4 Northern and higher. During the corresponding period (August-March) in 1960-61 inspections of wheat placed about 63 per cent deliveries in these same grades.

During the four weeks March 22 to April 18 deliveries of wheat from farms totalled 13.3 million bushels while disappearance into domestic and export channels amounted to some 23.2 million. With export and domestic demands exceeding primary marketings, the total visible supply of Canadian wheat declined steadily, from 344.3 million bushels at March 21 to 334.4 million at April 18, 1962.

The total visible supply of Canadian wheat at April 18 this year was 17 per cent less than the comparable 1961 total of 403.7 million and 10 per cent lower than the 1960 figure of 369.6 million bushels. The largest decrease occurred in country elevator stocks, with these supplies amounting to 160.8 million bushels in contrast to 255.8 million a year ago and 223.4 million two years ago. Wheat stocks at interior terminals, at April 18, 1962, totalled 10.1 million bushels and represented moderate decreases from both the 1961 and 1960 comparable totals of 10.4 million and 11.7 million bushels, respectively. Some 20.9 million bushels were "In transit rail", Western Division, exceeding the 17.3 million bushels of a year ago and the 17.5 million of two years ago. Lakehead supplies amounted to 60.8 million bushels, 26 per cent more than last year's corresponding total of 48.2 million and 35 per cent greater than the 1960 level of 44.9 million. Stocks in Bay, Lake and Upper St. Lawrence ports, at April 18, 1962, at 29.5 million bushels were sharply higher than both the 1961 total of 18.4 million and the 1960 figure of 21.9 million. In addition, some 5.8 million bushels were in "Storage Afloat" in Eastern positions this year in contrast to nil in the two preceding years. At the same time, there were no stocks appearing "In transit lake" at April 18 this year as against 12.0 million and 7.1 million in 1961 and 1960, respectively. The 19.7 million bushels in Lower St. Lawrence and Maritime ports at April 18, this year were relatively little changed from the 1961 total of 19.6 million but exceeded by a wide margin the 1960 level of 15.8 million. Supplies in export position on the West Coast (Vancouver-New Westminster and Victoria) totalled 11.7 million bushels and represented an increase of 34 per cent over the 8.7 million of a year ago but 9 per cent less than the 12.8 million of two years ago.

Preliminary Figures Indicate
February 1962 Exports of Wheat
Flour and Bagged Seed Wheat
Total 2.7 Million Bushels

bagged seed wheat during February 1962, based on Canadian Customs returns, amounted to 440,000 bushels, as against the January total of 445,000 and the February 1961 adjusted figure of 1,043,000 bushels.

Based on preliminary data exports of wheat flour in terms of wheat equivalent during February 1962 amounted to 2.3 million bushels, compared with the January total of 2.4 million and the adjusted February 1961 figure also of 2.4 million bushels. Exports of

Cumulative exports of wheat flour during the first seven months of the 1961-62 crop year, based on preliminary Customs returns, were the equivalent of 18.9 million bushels of wheat, 11 per cent less than the adjusted August 1960-February 1961 total of 21.3 million. As with wheat as grain, Britain was the major market for Canadian wheat flour. Shipments of flour to that country during the period under review amounted to the equivalent of 7.0 million bushels and accounted for 37 per cent of the seven-month total. During the August-February period of 1960-61 shipments of wheat flour to Britain amounted to the equivalent of 8.1 million bushels and represented 38 per cent of the total. Other leading markets for Canadian wheat flour in terms grain equivalent, with revised data for the August-February period of

the preceding crop year in brackets, were as follows, in thousands of bushels: Philippines, 1,065 (1,306); Ghana, 1,034 (1,001); Jamaica, 885 (930); Nigeria, 819 (467); Trinidad and Tobago, 755 (868); United States, 722 (685); Japan, 674 (844); Leeward and Windward Islands, 592 (643); Lebanon, 537 (940); and Hong Kong, 529 (449).

Cumulative exports of bagged seed wheat during August-February of the current crop year amounted to 1,922 thousand bushels compared with the adjusted total of 3,932 thousand bushels exported during the same months of the preceding crop year.

March 1962 Wheat Exports
Total 20.5 Million Bushels

Exports of wheat in bulk, as reported by the Board of Grain Commissioners, during March 1962 amounted to 20.5 million bushels, 14 per cent below the

February level of 23.7 million and 12 per cent less than the March 1961 figure of 23.4 million. This year's March total was 29 per cent greater than the ten-year (1951-60) average for the month of 15.8 million bushels.

Cumulative exports of wheat in bulk during the August-March period of the 1961-62 crop year amounted to 220.0 million bushels and registered increases of 25 per cent over the comparable 1960-61 total of 175.6 million and 45 per cent above the ten-year (1950-51--1959-60) August-March average of 152.1 million bushels. Britain, as Canada's leading market for wheat, received shipments amounting to 51.2 million bushels and representing 23 per cent of the eight-month total. During the August-March period of the 1960-61 crop year shipments of wheat to this destination amounted to 51.4 million bushels and accounted for 29 per cent of the total. The bulk of the remainder was accounted for by shipments to Communist China, 39.5 million, the Federal Republic of Germany, 34.4 million and Japan 32.8 million bushels. Exports of Canadian wheat to these countries during the first eight months of the preceding crop year were to Communist China, 1.3 million, the Federal Republic of Germany, 23.1 million, and Japan, 37.0 million bushels. Other relatively large markets for Canadian wheat in bulk during the first eight months of the current crop year, with figures for the same period of the preceding crop year in brackets, were as follows, in millions of bushels: Poland, 12.3 (nil); East Germany, 8.0 (nil); Belgium and Luxembourg, 7.8 (7.5); Switzerland, 3.6 (4.2); and India, 3.5 (4.0).

Delivery Quotas

Speaking in the House of Commons on April 12, 1962 the Hon. Alvin Hamilton, Minister of Agriculture, announced that for the first time in a decade, all grain delivery points in Western Canada have been placed on open quota.

It marks the end of the longest period of elevator congestion in the history of Canada's grain trade.

For ten years in succession, restrictions on deliveries have had to be applied so that grain producers who started farming since 1952 have never known a time of unrestricted deliveries.

Producers' delivery quotas were introduced by the Canadian Wheat Board in 1940 to ration limited elevator space. These are usually set at the beginning of the crop year and adjusted upwards as shipments make space available.

Until 1952, delivery quotas tended to advance rapidly during each crop year, so that all points were on open quota well before the end of the year. However, since 1952's big harvest, delivery quotas have been in effect until the end of the crop year.

The 1961 grain crop was a short one, but of high quality and relatively few grades. This took the pressure off storage requirements. Coupled with this was the increased world demand for Canadian wheat that emptied elevator bins at an almost unprecedented rate.

By the first of the year, more than 300 points were on open quota. By mid-March, all points in Manitoba were open. By the end of March, only 16 stations, all in Saskatchewan, were on a specified acreage quota -- 15 at the seven-bushel per acre level.

Mr. Hamilton said the end came today, when all delivery points were put on open quota by the Wheat Board.

Western According to a Canada Department of Agriculture press release dated
Grain Production April 30, 1962 Western Canada grain production requirements this year stand at a record 1.1 billion bushels, Agriculture Minister Alvin Hamilton has disclosed.

He called on prairie farmers to grow every bushel of grain they can, consistent with sound agricultural practices.

Canada, he said, will require 500 million bushels of wheat from the west; 350 million bushels of oats; and 250 million bushels of barley.

In a television talk to prairie grain growers, given on his behalf by Warner Jorgenson, his Parliamentary Secretary, Mr. Hamilton stressed the need for all-out production.

With last year's crop being only half the normal size and with exports booming, all grain on farms will have been delivered at the end of the crop year and elevators will only be half full, he said.

The total requirement of 1.1 billion bushels tops the high average production of 994 million bushels in the 1951-60 period.

Mr. Hamilton offered this breakdown:

Wheat — this year's requirement, 500 million bushels; 1961 production, 240 million bushels; average 1951-60 production, 474 million bushels.

Oats — this year's requirement, 350 million bushels; 1961 production, 186 million bushels; 1951-60 average, 289 million.

Barley — this year's requirement, 250 million bushels; 1961 production, 117 million; 1951-60 average, 231 million.

He said that with the intended acreage of wheat this year standing at 24.1 million, the production target could almost be reached if yields equalled the 10-year average of 20.5 bushels to the acre.

But, Mr. Hamilton warned, even with the high average yield of 1951-60, this year's intended acreage of oats and barley will not produce enough to meet requirements.

"If our yields fall short of this average, we will face a serious feed grain situation in Canada," the Minister noted.

Mr. Hamilton struck an optimistic note on price and market outlook in 1962. All indications point to exceeding last year's export demand for wheat and the short-run outlook for oats and barley is equally favorable.

He cautioned that it would be a mistake to try to reach the production goal for one crop at the expense of another. He warned that "we need balanced as well as maximum production of wheat, oats and barley."

The Minister urged growers to use fertilizer in areas where this is practical and to make the best use of the moisture available. He also emphasized the importance of increasing pasture and forage crop production.

"Employ every proven technique to conserve moisture and increase your production with complete confidence that there will be hungry markets, good prices and more space available for your grain in country elevators than at any time in the past 10 years," he declared.

Crop and
Weather
Conditions

The telegraphic crop report, published by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics on May 2, 1962, summarized crop conditions in each of the Prairie Provinces as follows:

Field work is just commencing in some districts of Manitoba. Correspondents indicate that surface moisture is fair to good, but subsoil moisture supplies are only fair to poor in many districts. Grass growth has been very slow and feed supplies are limited in some districts. Higher than usual losses in spring pig and calf crops are reported.

Seeding has started at some points in the southern districts of Saskatchewan but operations are not general with the exception of the Shaunavon-Assiniboia region. Work on the land is expected to increase during the present week, but high winds on Tuesday curtailed operations in the southwest area. Seeding in northern areas is not expected to commence until mid-month. Moisture reserves generally are low in the brown and dark brown soil areas, but sufficient to ensure germination. Timely rains will be required during the growing season to develop and advance the crop.

Field operations will soon be general in all parts of Alberta. Seeding is well advanced in the southeast, with some being reported as far north as Red Deer and Viking. Cold weather associated with dry soil in many areas has resulted in little growth to date. Preliminary observations indicate rye wintered well, but losses in fall wheat in some areas were above normal. Alsike and red clover losses were heavy in some districts. Cattle wintered in fair to good condition, but spring losses in the case of both wintered stock and calves have been heavier than normal. There is concern in southern regions regarding water supply and the slow growth of native pastures. The moisture situation is critical from the Saskatchewan border west to Lethbridge and from the United States border north to Coronation. Moisture supplies are also below normal in most areas as far north as Leduc and Wainwright. Prospects in northern and Peace River regions and in the extreme southwest are good.

Canadian Wheat
Stocks at
March 31, 1962

Total stocks of Canadian wheat at March 31, 1962 were estimated at 481.9 million bushels compared with 749.6 million on the same date in 1961 and the record 904.4 million in 1957. The ten-year (1952-61) average was 720.0 million bushels. Data for these estimates were obtained from the Dominion Bureau of Statistics' annual March 31 survey of grain held on farms, from mill returns, and from information supplied by the Board of Grain Commissioners for Canada relative to grain in commercial positions at the close of business on March 28. An estimated 136.9 million bushels, representing 28 per cent of the total were held on farms, 59 per cent less than last year's total of 333.9 million and 57 per cent below the 317.9 million at March 31, 1960. All but 6.9 million bushels of the total farm stocks of wheat were held on farms in the Prairie Provinces. Farm-held stocks in Saskatchewan were placed at 83.0 million while those in Alberta and Manitoba were estimated at 31.0 million and 16.0 million bushels, respectively. Of the 345.0 million bushels held in off-farm positions, 173.6 million were in country elevators compared with 259.3 million a year ago and 221.6 million two years ago. Stocks in Lakehead positions amounted to 56.5 million bushels, 4 per cent less than last year's corresponding total of 58.7 million but 10 per cent more than the 1960 level of 51.4 million. Supplies in Eastern elevators, at 49.8 million bushels represented an increase of 26 per cent over the 1961 comparable total of 39.6 million and 43 per cent greater than the 1960 figure of 34.8 million bushels.

Stocks of Canadian Wheat at March 31, 1960-62 1/

Position	1960	1961	1962
- thousand bushels -			
<u>In Canada</u>			
On farms	317,900	333,900	136,900
Country elevators	221,606	259,289	173,570
Interior private and mill elevators .	7,259	7,536	7,499
Interior terminal elevators	11,855	10,721	10,214
Vancouver-New Westminster elevators .	9,061	10,545	8,241
Victoria elevator	270	714	233
Churchill elevator	4,871	4,766	4,829
Fort William-Port Arthur elevators ..	51,428	58,736	56,452
Storage afloat (Lakehead)	-	-	681
In transit rail (Western Division) ..	16,132	12,149	16,025
Eastern elevators	34,767	39,550	49,778
Storage afloat (Eastern Division) ...	5,380	6,706	12,532
In transit rail (Eastern Division) ..	2,047	2,460	2,513
Eastern mills (mill bins only) <u>2/</u> ..	2,526	2,443 <u>3/</u>	2,286
Western mills (mill bins only) <u>2/</u> ..	179	123 <u>3/</u>	170
Totals, in Canada	685,278	749,637	481,922
<u>In United States</u>	-	-	-
Totals, in Canada and United States	685,278	749,637	481,922

1/ Stocks other than on farms and in mills compiled by the Statistics Branch, Board of Grain Commissioners for Canada, as at the close of business on March 30, 1960, March 29, 1961 and March 28, 1962.

2/ Small quantities of grain going into ground feeds have been excluded.

3/ Revised.

Farmers' Marketings 1/ of Wheat in the Prairie Provinces 1961-62

Week Ending		Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	Total	Last Year <u>2/</u>
- bushels -						
August	9, 1961 ..	66,412	298,654	59,779	424,845	770,867
	16	78,431	354,050	249,553	682,034	3,072,038
	23	1,732,408	3,132,734	433,666	5,298,808	6,057,404
	30	1,960,688	5,795,205	1,368,107	9,124,000	6,634,518
September	6	972,846	3,230,317	2,070,908	6,274,071	8,451,034
	13	907,424	4,617,726	2,258,606	7,783,756	9,033,552
	20	721,238	3,242,834	2,769,649	6,733,721	6,371,926
	27	630,826	4,260,220	2,806,814	7,697,860	3,416,603
October	4	1,104,469	4,761,138	2,490,732	8,356,339	4,629,456
	11	963,662	3,860,475	2,201,300	7,025,437	4,045,618
	18	929,061	4,531,791	2,056,024	7,516,876	4,787,219
	25	1,023,510	4,178,369	1,941,585	7,143,464	5,419,462
November	1	1,127,996	3,495,742	2,239,758	6,863,496	6,363,414
	8	833,376	3,129,828	1,674,622	5,637,826	6,929,093
	15	697,308	4,359,574	2,038,116	7,094,998	5,784,997
	22	723,530	3,759,473	2,121,428	6,604,431	7,341,044
	29	654,608	3,088,767	2,046,531	5,789,906	8,037,409
December	6	540,239	1,998,306	1,148,799	3,687,344	6,799,472
	13	507,881	3,375,334	1,597,033	5,480,248	7,405,082
	20	382,974	1,832,893	1,419,291	3,635,158	9,840,652
	27	477,164	1,494,090	983,966	2,955,220	6,488,616
January	3, 1962 ..	278,621	2,449,310	1,745,762	4,473,693	5,826,586
	10	807,973	6,788,154	3,743,947	11,340,074	9,867,207
	17	273,409	4,004,264	2,493,320	6,770,993	9,427,211
	24	100,603	794,836	1,396,613	2,292,052	7,212,448
	31	421,374	2,943,223	2,048,704	5,413,301	3,478,552
February	7	227,185	2,826,814	2,211,117	5,265,116	4,078,418
	14	113,464	1,513,126	1,806,659	3,433,249	4,988,578
	21	173,506	2,319,400	1,808,525	4,301,431	2,260,783
	28	98,971	839,594	922,842	1,861,407	3,563,846
March	7	23,752	155,960	354,942	534,654	4,834,676
	14	184,151	1,223,416	1,201,729	2,609,296	4,096,848
	21	233,895	2,029,561	2,047,411	4,310,867	4,406,523
	28	424,216	2,197,602	1,084,751	3,706,569	4,382,341
April	4	246,724	1,452,227	1,599,143	3,298,094	4,408,174
	11	259,871	1,393,720	983,701	2,637,292	5,177,282
	18	324,147	2,426,646	880,655	3,631,448	8,191,359
Totals		21,227,913	104,155,373	62,306,088	187,689,374	213,880,308
Average similar period:						
1950-51-1959-60 ..		25,651,662	141,123,560	67,629,829	234,405,051	

1/ Includes receipts at country, interior private and mill elevators, interior semi-public terminals and platform loadings.

2/ Revised.

Visible Supply of Canadian Wheat, April 18, 1962
Compared with Approximately the Same Date, 1960 and 1961

Position	1960	1961	1962
- thousand bushels -			
Country elevators - Manitoba	26,479	33,952	24,293
Saskatchewan	123,416	151,892	84,918
Alberta	73,520	69,957	51,579
Totals	223,415	255,801	160,790
Interior private and mill	7,334	7,317	8,042
Interior terminals	11,722	10,350	10,073
Vancouver-New Westminster	12,398	8,390	11,062
Victoria	415	335	619
Churchill	4,871	4,766	4,829
Fort William-Port Arthur	44,913	48,212	60,817
Storage afloat	-	-	681
In transit rail (Western Division) ...	17,527	17,298	20,868
Bay, Lake and Upper St. Lawrence ports	21,851	18,414	29,538
Lower St. Lawrence and Maritime ports.	15,753	19,578	19,686
Storage afloat	-	-	5,813
In transit lake	7,140	12,007	-
In transit rail (Eastern Division) ...	2,220	1,232	1,582
Totals	369,560	403,700	334,399

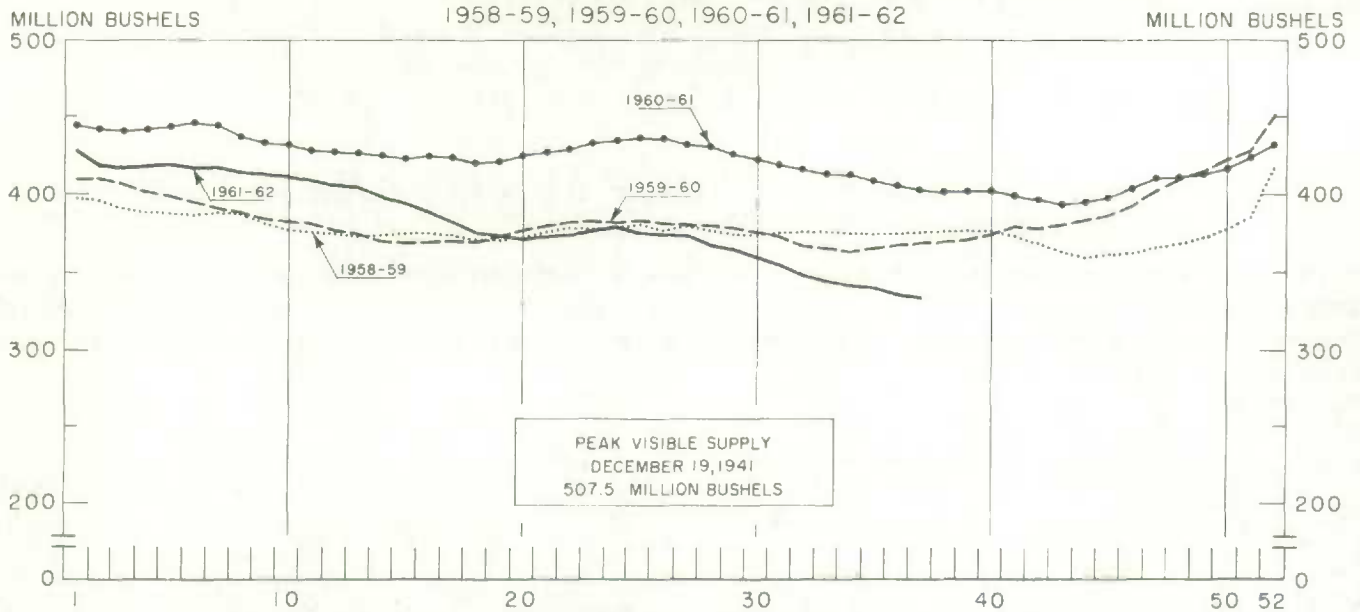
Grading of Wheat Inspected, August 1961-March 1962 with Comparisons

Grade	Crop Year		August-March			
	Average	1960-61	1960-61		1961-62	
	1955-56 1959-60		per cent	cars	per cent	cars
No. 1 Hard	-	-	-	-	51	1/
No. 1 Man. Northern	1.6	2.1	1,446	1.3	22,243	16.0
No. 2 Man. Northern	28.2	41.1	24,460	22.2	75,103	54.0
No. 3 Man. Northern	27.7	25.5	28,657	26.0	24,496	17.6
No. 4 Man. Northern	14.0	8.5	14,979	13.6	6,172	4.4
No. 5 Wheat	9.2	5.2	9,940	9.0	1,264	0.9
No. 6 Wheat	2.3	0.8	964	0.9	368	0.3
Feed Wheat	0.2	1/	7	1/	7	1/
Others Red Spring	10.7	7.3	10,792	9.8	5,121	3.7
C.W. Garnet	0.2	1/	14	1/	236	0.2
C.W. White Spring	0.1	0.1	207	0.2	126	0.1
C.W. Mixed Wheat	0.1	1/	64	0.1	42	1/
Alberta Winter	0.3	0.2	233	0.2	556	0.4
Nos.1-6 C.W. Amber Durum.	5.3	9.0	18,042	16.4	3,222	2.3
Others C.W. Amber Durum .	0.2	0.2	307	0.3	65	1/
Totals	100.0	100.0	110,112	100.0	139,072	100.0

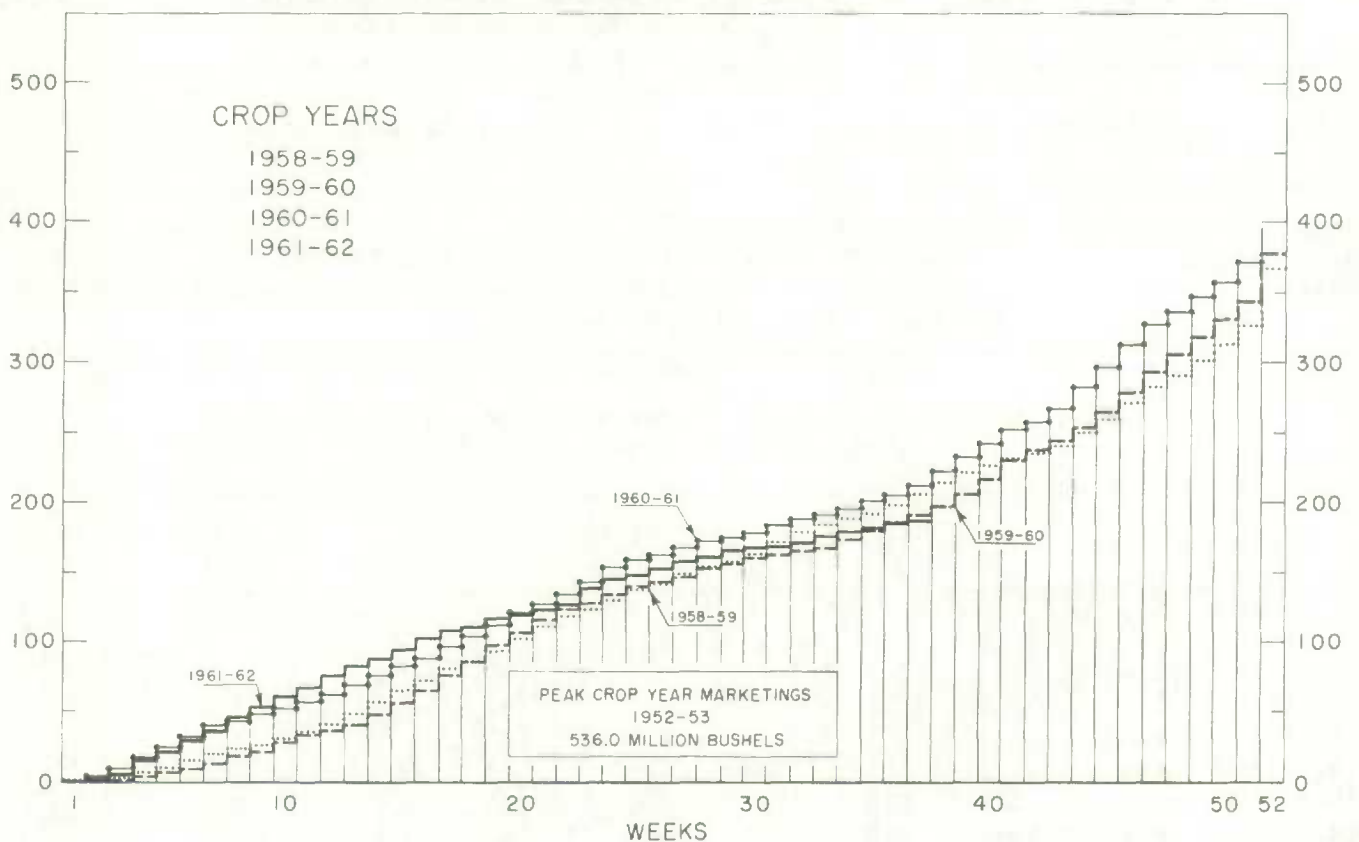
Gross bushels (approx.)..
1/ Less than .05 per cent.

207,545,000 267,447,000

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 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 current crop year to April 18, 1962 amounted to 0.6 million bushels. During the comparable periods of 1960-61 and 1959-60 shipments amounted to 1.2 million and 0.5 million bushels, respectively. Of this season's total to date some 87 per cent has been shipped by vessel.

Wheat Shipments* to the United States by Destination
August 1, 1961-April 18, 1962 with Comparisons

Destination	1959-60	1960-61	1961-62
	- bushels -		
<u>By Vessel</u>			
Buffalo	110,305	298,631	-
Chicago	-	216,477	100,000
Duluth-Superior	272,202	477,836	420,978
Milwaukee	-	81,537	-
Totals, Vessel	382,507	1,074,481	520,978
<u>By Rail</u>			
U.S.A. Domestic Points	147,308	163,400	80,828
Totals, Shipments	529,815	1,237,881	601,806

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

Rail Shipments of Wheat to Maritime Ports Rail shipments of wheat to Maritime Ports from Bay, Lake and Upper St. Lawrence Ports during the first eight months of the current crop year totalled 16.0 million bushels compared with the August 1960-March 1961 figure of 29.2 million.

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

Origin of Shipments	August 1, 1960- March 31, 1961	August 1, 1961- March 31, 1962
	- bushels -	
Port McNicoll	7,552,826	4,880,364
Midland, Tiffin	10,380,410	5,870,820
Collingwood	1,222,967	405,993
Owen Sound	3,271,368	2,113,453
Goderich	1,743,017	408,456
Sarnia	3,447,572	1,188,279
Lakefield	1,041,506	712,467
Peterborough	583,695	373,000
Totals	29,243,361	15,952,832

Month	1958-59	1959-60	1960-61	1961-62
	- bushels -			
August	33,123	34,383	14,717	20,648
September	15,692	31,690	19,227	14,598
October	68,834	30,904	5,417	33,944
November	205,061	8,383	24,000	22,915
December	214,398	25,355	17,500	60,167
January	684,845	103,087	71,335	126,533
February	173,387	23,878	135,339	68,421
March	280,705	18,826	28,073	37,000
April	243,292	64,156	9,833	
May	44,783	19,513	15,805	
June	10,128	25,234	17,563	
July	33,696	26,803	10,940	
Totals	2,007,944	412,212	369,749	

Distribution of Rail Shipments of Wheat from Fort William-Port Arthur, March 1962

Grade	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario
		- bushels -	
5 Wheat	-	7,334	1,500
6 Wheat	-	-	3,000
Tough	3,000	-	-
Rejected	2,000	3,000	333
Durum	-	2,000	-
Others	4,500	10,333	-
Totals	9,500	22,667	4,833

Overseas Exports of Canadian Grain by Ports of Loading, August 1, 1961--April 18, 1962
with Comparisons

Port	Wheat 1/	Durum Wheat 1/	Oats 1/	Barley	Rye	Flaxseed	Rapeseed 2/
			- bushels -				
<u>Pacific Seaboard</u>							
Vancouver-Westminster	104,360,463	-	453,930	10,896,039	980,668	5,264,922	4,126,087
Victoria	3,277,649	-	-	-	-	-	530,150
Prince Rupert	-	-	-	9,145,221	-	-	-
<u>Churchill</u>	18,297,287	-	-	-	-	-	-
<u>Lakehead Direct</u>	5,872,784	-	-	362,065	578,275	492,936	-
<u>Lower Lake</u>							
Toronto	-	-	-	-	-	20,184	-
<u>St. Lawrence</u>							
Montreal	33,569,461	2,358,550	31,576	165,001	1,564,991	3,387,695	-
Sorel	13,012,960	2,111,090	-	-	200,109	-	-
Three Rivers	14,608,241	14,024	-	-	-	-	-
Quebec	8,153,968	16,876	-	-	-	-	-
Baie Comeau	5,616,739	99,381	-	-	-	-	-
<u>Maritimes</u>							
Saint John	820,389	7,467	-	-	-	-	-
West Saint John	7,801,048	695,669	26,479	-	-	107,847	-
Halifax	10,019,498	57,682	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	225,410,487	5,360,739	511,985	20,568,326	3,324,043	9,273,584	4,656,237
Aug. 1, 1960-April 19, 1961	162,710,648	30,469,566	979,021	15,964,586	769,274	9,438,007	6,950,274
1/ Excluding bagged seed.			2/ In bushels of 50 pounds.				

Freight Assistance Shipments Claims filed for payment up to March 31, 1962 represent the movement of some 7,916 million bushels of wheat from the Prairie Provinces to Eastern Canada and British Columbia under the freight assistance policy during the August-February period of the current crop year. During the corresponding period in 1960-61 claims had been filed for a total of 10,908 million bushels, indicating on the assumption of approximately the same rate of submission of claims during both the current and preceding crop years that the 1961-62 August-February shipments of wheat under the policy were running about 27 per cent below those of 1960-61. Revised data on the 1960-61 August-February shipments of wheat based on claims submitted up to March 31, 1962 place the seven-month total at 11,239 million bushels. About 70 per cent of the shipments during the current period under review went to destinations in Ontario and Quebec.

Provincial Distribution of Wheat Shipments under the Freight Assistance Policy
August-February 1961-62 and 1960-61

Month	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	B.C.	Total
- thousand bushels -								
August, 1961	11	10	162	38	516	557	121	1,414
September	11	19	98	37	422	466	270	1,325
October	8	8	93	41	441	424	189	1,203
November	15	12	97	36	469	316	203	1,148
December	8	10	118	28	390	344	189	1,088
January, 1962....	10	16	112	34	400	306	194	1,072
February	3	9	95	30	251	241	36	666
Totals 1/ ..	67	86	775	245	2,888	2,654	1,201	7,916
Same period 1960-61:								
Preliminary 2/.	95	105	909	351	3,581	4,512	1,355	10,908
Revised 1/	103	107	916	357	3,648	4,565	1,543	11,239

Preliminary data on millfeed shipments under the freight assistance policy indicate shipments of 304,423 tons during the August-February period of the current crop year. During the same seven months of 1960-61 claims had been filed for a total of 338,256 tons, indicating on the assumption of approximately the same rate of submission of claims during both the current and preceding crop years that the 1961-62 August-February shipments of millfeeds under the policy were running about 10 per cent below those of 1960-61. Revised data on the 1960-61 August-February shipments of millfeeds based on claims submitted up to March 31, 1962 place the seven-month total at 352,162 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-February 1961-62 and 1960-61

Province	1960-61		1961-62
	Preliminary 2/	Revised 1/	Preliminary 1/
- tons -			
Newfoundland	3,131	3,484	3,474
Prince Edward Island	5,312	5,477	5,366
Nova Scotia	23,229	23,870	21,723
New Brunswick	19,640	20,177	18,247
Quebec	161,776	166,507	147,181
Ontario	102,363	104,982	83,315
British Columbia	22,805	27,665	25,117
Totals	338,256	352,162	304,423

1/ Based on claims filed up to March 31, 1962.

2/ Based on claims filed up to March 31, 1961.

Monthly Exports of Canadian Wheat and Wheat Flour

Year and Month	Wheat in Bulk 1/	Bagged Seed Wheat 2/	Total Wheat	Wheat Flour 2/ 3/	Total 3/ Wheat and Wheat Flour
- thousand bushels -					
<u>1959-60</u>					
August	21,203	157	21,360	3,090	24,451
September	22,606	133	22,739	2,873	25,611
October	22,440	124	22,565	3,705	26,270
November	29,239	532	29,771	3,093	32,864
December	20,262	881	21,144	3,168	24,311
January	13,220	809	14,029	2,522	16,551
February	16,462	788	17,250	2,734	19,984
March	17,102	991	18,093	2,737	20,830
April	15,373	871	16,244	3,281	19,525
May	21,210	224	21,434	3,522	24,956
June	21,011	26	21,037	3,323	24,359
July	14,589	67	14,656	2,923	17,578
Totals ..	234,717	5,604	240,321	36,970	277,291
<u>1960-61</u>					
August	23,908	127	24,034	2,867	26,901
September	26,742	232	26,974	2,694	29,668
October	21,172	304	21,476	3,727	25,203
November	23,224	570	23,794	4,198	27,992
December	20,222	883	21,105	3,320	24,426
January	16,408	773	17,181	2,104	19,285
February	20,517	1,043	21,560	2,404	23,964
March	23,377	1,934	25,312	3,088	28,399
April	31,395	599	31,994	3,009	35,003
May	42,190	135	42,325	3,166	45,491
June	35,532	12	35,544	2,499	38,043
July	26,265	4	26,269	2,607	28,876
Totals ..	310,952	6,616	317,568	35,682	353,249
<u>1961-62 4/</u>					
August	35,625	114	35,740	3,540	39,280
September	28,966	232	29,198	2,560	31,758
October	32,910	61	32,970	2,693	35,663
November	40,823	216	41,039	2,435	43,474
December	19,966	414	20,381	3,036	23,416
January	17,534	445	17,979	2,419 5/	20,398 5/
February	23,739	440 6/	24,179 5/	2,258 6/	26,437 6/
March	20,482	7/	20,482 8/	3,000 9/	23,482 10/
Totals ...	220,046	1,922	221,968	21,941	243,909

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, 1959-60 and 1960-61 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. 5/ Revised. 6/ Preliminary. 7/ Not available. 8/ Does not include March exports of bagged seed. 9/ Estimated. 10/ Includes an estimate of wheat flour for March but no allowance made for March exports of bagged seed wheat.

Exports of Canadian Wheat 1/ by Destination, March 1962

Destination	Wheat (Except Durum)	Durum Wheat	All Wheat
- bushels -			
<u>COMMONWEALTH AND PREFERENTIAL COUNTRIES</u>			
<u>Western Europe</u>			
Britain	4,328,993	65,707	4,394,700
<u>Other Africa</u>			
Nigeria	212,800	-	212,800
<u>Other Asia</u>			
Hong Kong	112,000	-	112,000
Totals, Com. and Pref. Countries .	4,653,793	65,707	4,719,500
<u>OTHER COUNTRIES</u>			
<u>Western Europe</u>			
Belgium and Luxembourg	401,314	-	401,314
Germany, Federal Republic	1,921,884	-	1,921,884
Italy	220,472	-	220,472
Netherlands	56,500	-	56,500
<u>Middle East</u>			
Saudi Arabia	76,825	-	76,825
<u>Other Africa</u>			
Mozambique	87,472	-	87,472
<u>Other Asia</u>			
Burma	24,891	-	24,891
China, Communist	8,371,626	-	8,371,626
Japan	3,216,616	-	3,216,616
Philippines	300,720	-	300,720
<u>Oceania</u>			
United States Oceania	74,853	-	74,853
<u>South America</u>			
Venezuela	710,866	-	710,866
<u>Central America and Antilles</u>			
Dominican Republic	270,063	-	270,063
<u>North America</u>			
United States for domestic use <u>2/</u>	28,492	-	28,492
Totals, Other Countries	15,762,594	-	15,762,594
Totals, All Countries	20,416,387	65,707	20,482,094

NOTE: See footnotes page 18

Data re March Customs exports of bagged seed wheat not available.

Cumulative Exports of Canadian Wheat 1/ by Destination

Destination	August 1961-March 1962			Total same period last year
	Wheat (Except Durum)	Durum Wheat	Total Wheat	
- bushels -				
<u>COMMONWEALTH AND PREFERENTIAL COUNTRIES</u>				
<u>Western Europe</u>				
Britain	50,966,016	229,684	51,195,700	51,436,698
Ireland	1,523,932	-	1,523,932	1,890,539
Malta and Gozo	844,667	-	844,667	836,566
<u>Other Africa</u>				
Nigeria	212,800	-	212,800	-
Rhodesia and Nyasaland ...	56,000	-	56,000	67,450
<u>Other Asia</u>				
Hong Kong	451,360	-	451,360	337,867
India	3,541,390	-	3,541,390	3,955,436
Pakistan	1,856,325	-	1,856,325	1,717,520
<u>Central America and Antilles</u>				
Barbados	-	-	-	167
Totals, Com. and Pref. Countries	59,452,490	229,684	59,682,174	60,242,243

OTHER COUNTRIES

<u>Western Europe</u>				
Austria	1,405,613	149,333	1,554,946	945,759
Belgium and Luxembourg ...	7,480,891	309,680	7,790,571	7,475,626
Finland	1,151,402	-	1,151,402	90,837
France	54,133	604,769	658,902	4,938,105
Germany, Federal Republic.	31,580,487	2,841,757	34,422,244	23,147,728
Greece	-	-	-	22,400
Italy	2,524,312	25,200	2,549,512	14,440,250
Netherlands	1,585,040	110,454	1,695,494	5,311,436
Norway	1,728,869	-	1,728,869	2,277,403
Portugal	-	-	-	93,333
Sweden	-	-	-	18,667
Switzerland	2,734,105	836,786	3,570,891	4,204,487
<u>Eastern Europe</u>				
Albania	1,050,336	-	1,050,336	196,300
Czechoslovakia	-	-	-	1,680,747
Germany, East	8,040,229	-	8,040,229	-
Poland	12,293,711	-	12,293,711	-
U.S.S.R. (Russia)	-	-	-	2,702,747
<u>Middle East</u>				
Israel	829,100	-	829,100	1,024,800
Saudi Arabia	243,350	-	243,350	-
U.A.R. - Egypt	451,733	-	451,733	-
<u>Other Africa</u>				
Algeria	1,322,604	37,035	1,359,639	-
Congo	18,257	-	18,257	-
Mozambique	456,984	7,467	464,451	283,732
Tunisia	-	189,905	189,905	-

Cumulative Exports of Canadian Wheat ^{1/} by Destination

Destination	August 1961-March 1962			Total same period last year
	Wheat (Except Durum)	Durum Wheat	Total Wheat	
- bushels -				
<u>OTHER COUNTRIES</u> (concluded)				
<u>Other Asia</u>				
Burma	200,358	-	200,358	356,229
China, Communist	39,511,526	-	39,511,526	1,288,786
Japan	32,784,539	-	32,784,539	37,043,161
Philippines	2,059,281	-	2,059,281	475,896
Taiwan	75,787	-	75,787	102,293
<u>Oceania</u>				
United States Oceania ..	371,839	-	371,839	313,152
<u>South America</u>				
Colombia	264,550	-	264,550	-
Ecuador	749,680	-	749,680	862,153
Peru	-	-	-	1,816,267
Venezuela	2,371,196	-	2,371,196	2,280,101
<u>Central America and Antilles</u>				
Cuba	-	-	-	5,056
Dominican Republic	1,000,464	-	1,000,464	694,960
El Salvador	296,548	-	296,548	-
Guatemala	20,000	-	20,000	-
Honduras	-	-	-	3,331
<u>North America</u>				
United States for domestic use <u>2/</u> ...	594,479	-	594,479	1,231,598
Totals, Other Countries	155,251,403	5,112,386	160,363,789	115,327,340
Sub-Totals, All Countries	214,703,893	5,342,070	220,045,963	175,569,583
Bagged seed			1,921,984 <u>3/</u>	5,866,219 <u>4/</u>
Totals, All Countries ..	214,703,893	5,342,070	221,967,947	181,435,802

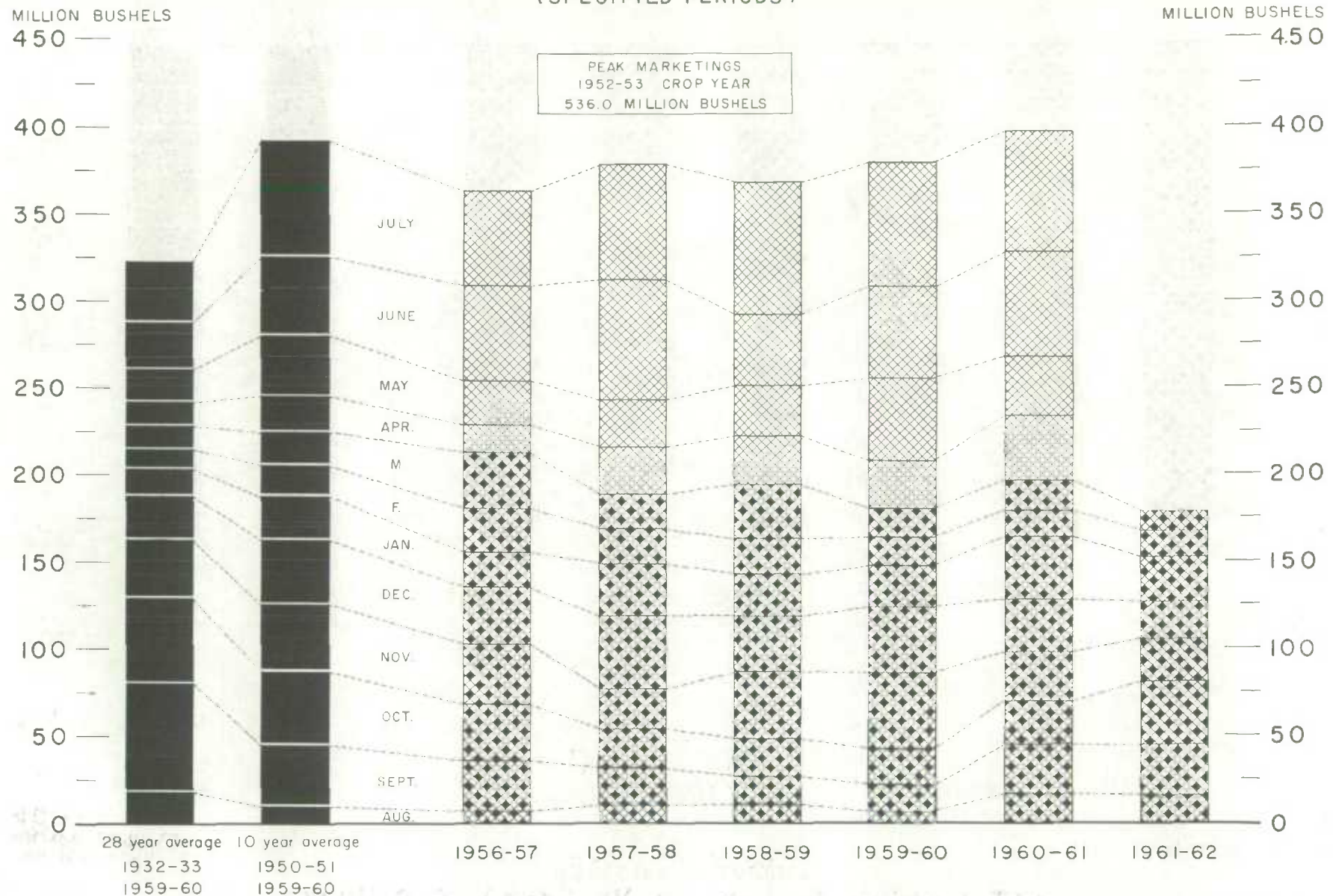
^{1/} Overseas clearances as reported by the Statistics Branch, Board of Grain Commissioners for Canada, for all countries except the United States. Excluding bagged seed.

^{2/} Compiled from returns of Canadian elevator licensees and shippers and advice from American Grain correspondents.

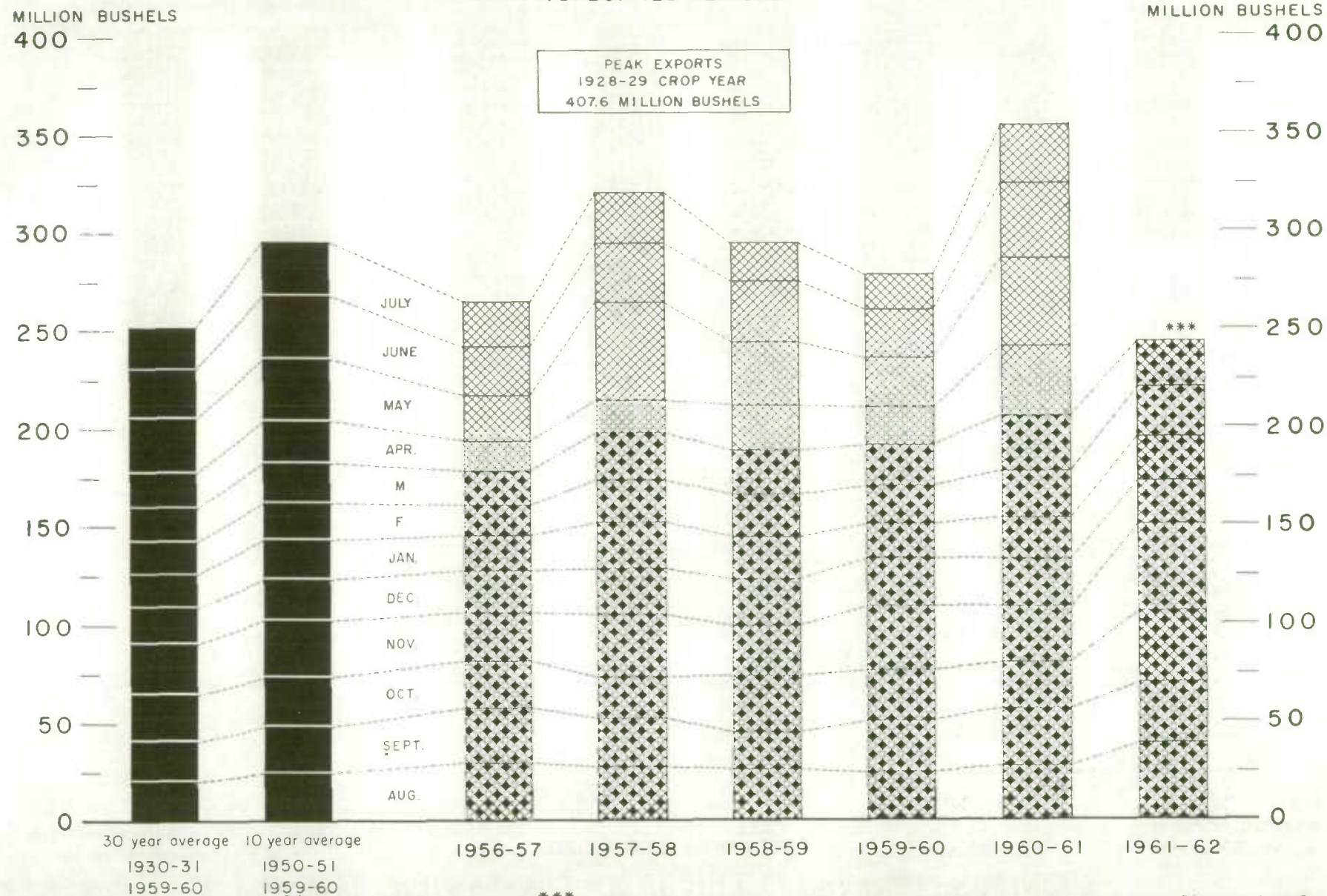
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^{4/} Adjusted for time lag.

FARMERS' MARKETINGS OF WHEAT, PRAIRIE PROVINCES (SPECIFIED PERIODS)

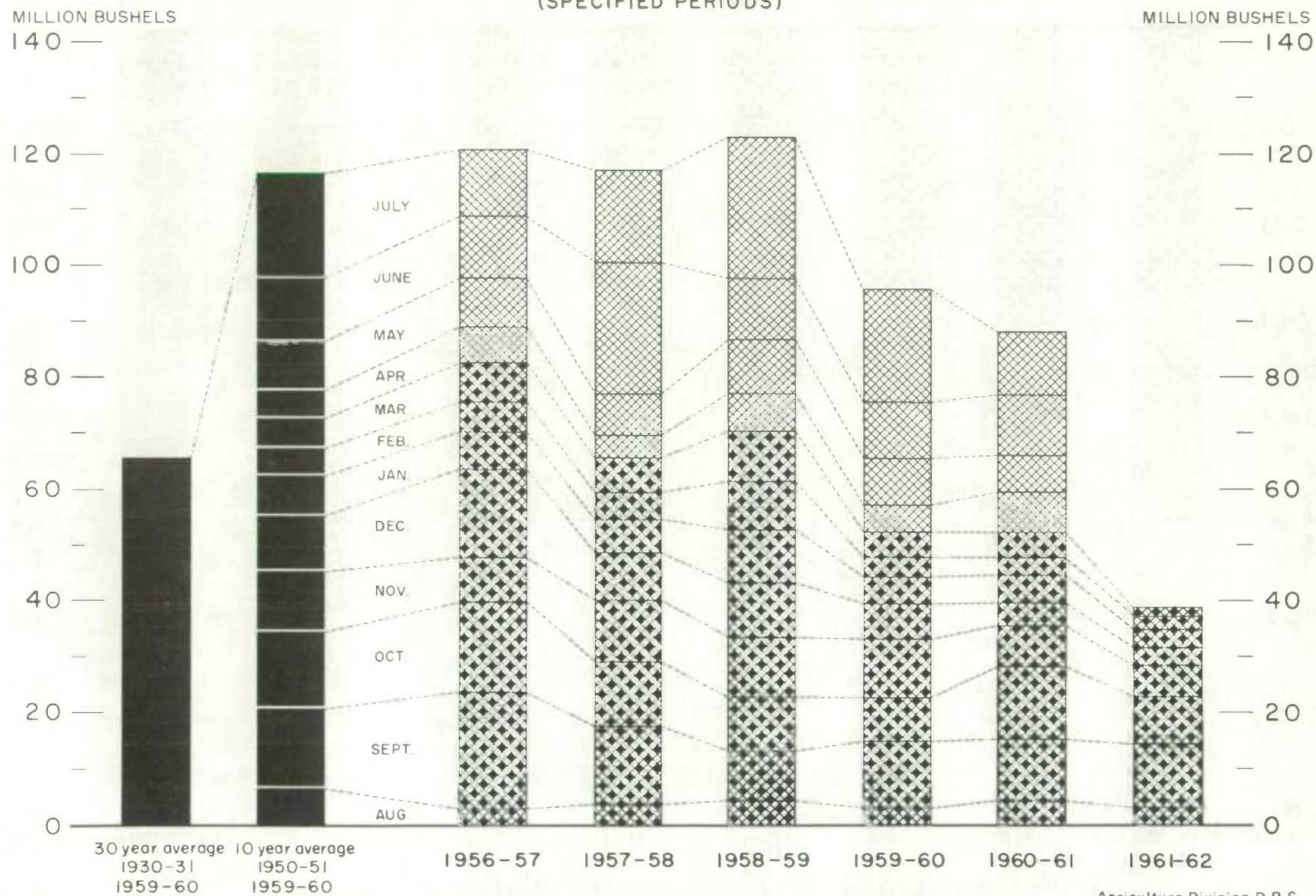


EXPORTS OF CANADIAN WHEAT* AND WHEAT FLOUR** (SPECIFIED PERIODS)



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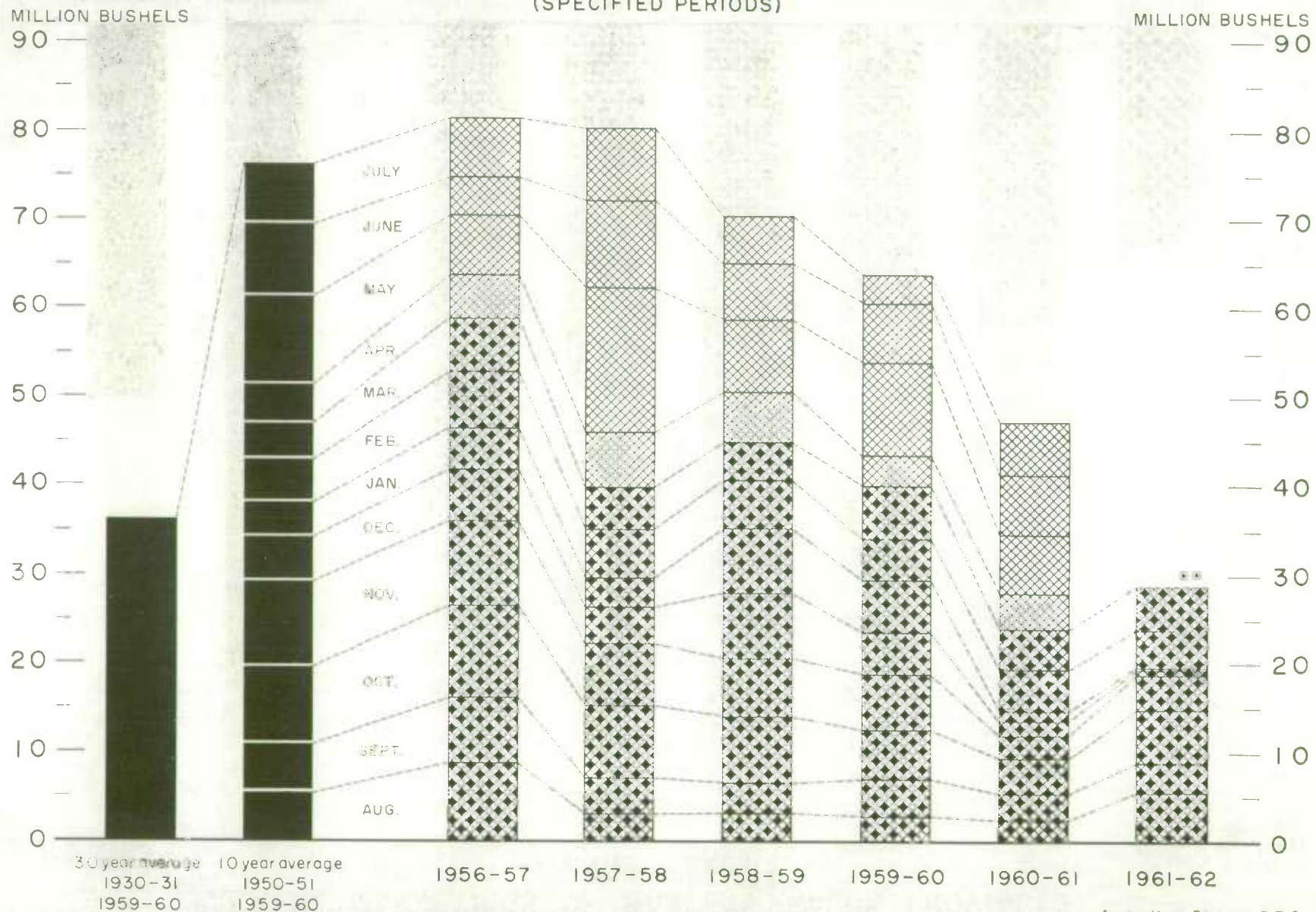
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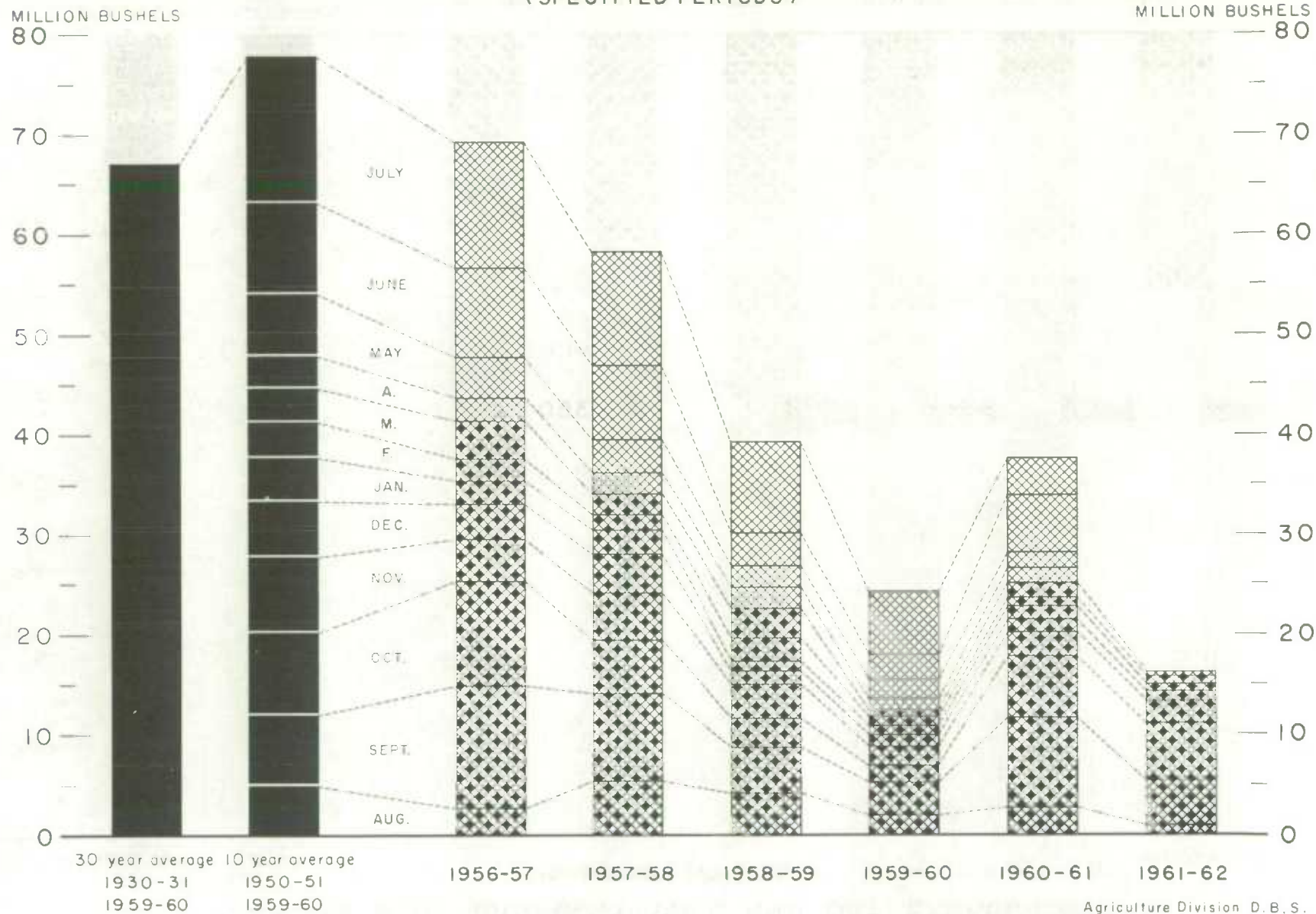
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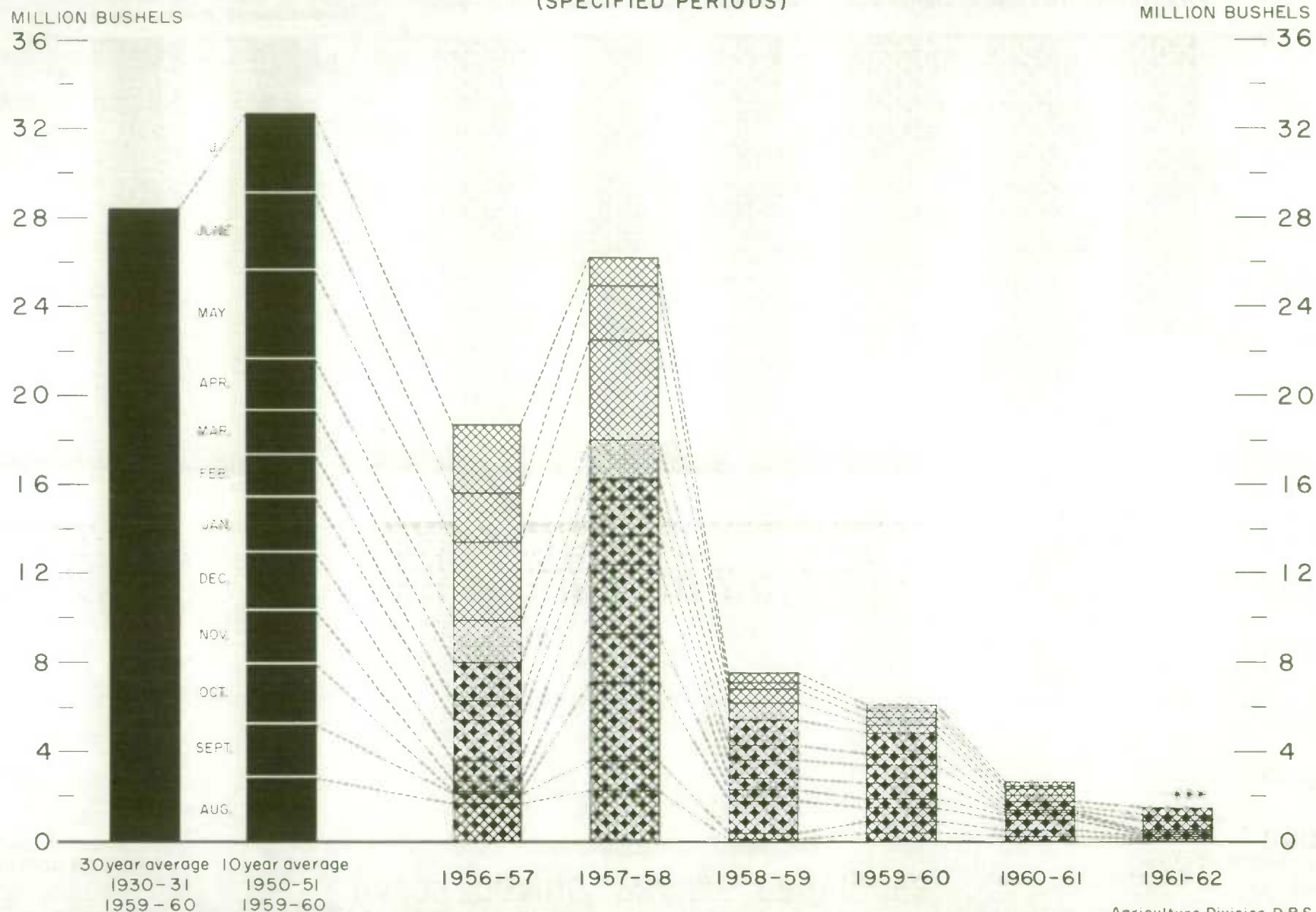
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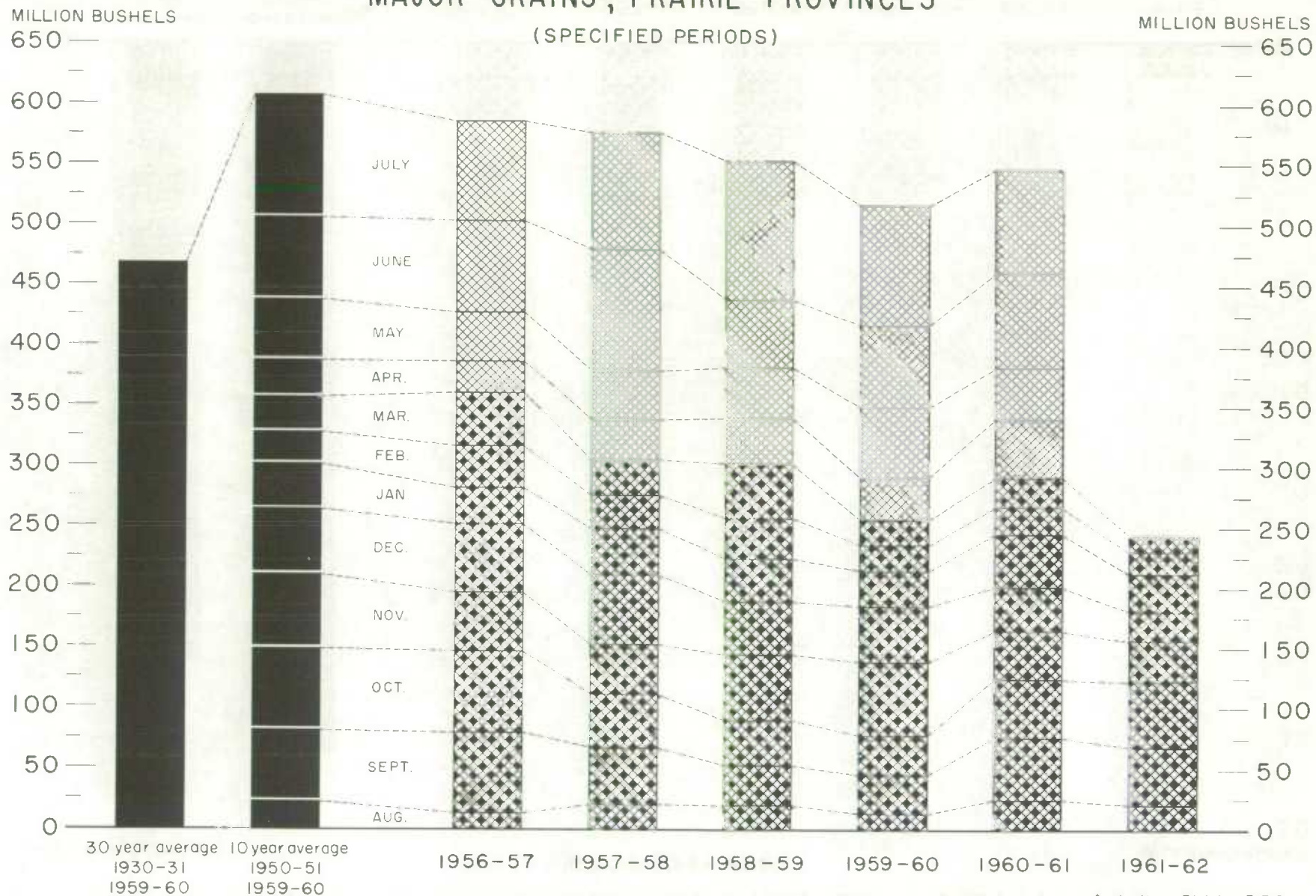


* Beginning with 1960-61 includes relatively small quantity of bagged seed.

** In terms of grain equivalent. *** Preliminary.

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FARMERS' MARKETINGS OF CANADA'S FIVE MAJOR GRAINS*, PRAIRIE PROVINCES



*Wheat, oats, barley, rye and flaxseed.

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EXPORTS OF CANADA'S FIVE MAJOR GRAINS AND PRODUCTS*

(SPECIFIED PERIODS)

MILLION BUSHEL

500 —
—
450 —
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400 —
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MILLION BUSHEL

500 —
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JULY

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30 year average

1930-31

1959-60

10 year average

1950-51

1959-60

1956-57

1957-58

1958-59

1959-60

1960-61

1961-62

* Wheat, bagged seed wheat, and wheat flour; oats, bagged seed oats, and rolled oats; barley, malt and pot and pearl; rye and flax seed.

** Preliminary

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Customs Exports of Canadian Wheat Flour by Countries of Consignment

Destination	October 1961	February 1962	August-February	
	<u>1/</u>	<u>2/</u>	1961-62 <u>2/</u>	1960-61 <u>3/</u>
- bushels -				
<u>COMMONWEALTH AND PREFERENTIAL COUNTRIES</u>				
<u>Western Europe</u>				
Britain	937,029	775,104	7,010,570*	8,125,371
Gibraltar	6,698	-	58,365	19,835
Ireland	-	3,809	3,809	-
<u>Middle East</u>				
Kuwait	2,576	-	13,524	18,662
Qatar	-	-	1,109	3,707
British Middle East, nes	-	2,833	13,910	5,667
<u>Other Africa</u>				
Ghana	63,714	142,163	1,034,264	1,001,215
Nigeria	57,256	125,502	819,191	466,903
Rhodesia and Nyasaland	3,528	1,288	15,265	18,796
Sierra Leone	19,872	70,852	273,045	191,063
Tanganyika	-	3,852	19,665	6,785
British Africa, nes	-	15,525	33,902	34,415
<u>Other Asia</u>				
Ceylon	-	-	384,008	-
Hong Kong	80,999	55,773	528,678	448,815
Malaya and Singapore	52,688	68,940	403,183	302,096
British East Indies, nes	1,030	290	7,772	4,798
<u>Oceania</u>				
Fiji	460	-	4,221	4,370
British Oceania, nes	-	-	-	644
<u>South America</u>				
British Guiana	893	142	14,000	182,588
<u>Central America and Antilles</u>				
Bahamas	18,658	15,603	154,426	181,649
Bermuda	10,992	8,699	72,096	73,853
British Honduras	884	3,823	17,855	8,676
Barbados	10,127	7,121	72,397	97,430
Jamaica	162,603	81,669	885,100*	930,258
Leeward and Windward Islands	90,194	50,145	591,930*	642,866
Trinidad and Tobago	100,878	85,732	754,632	868,223
Totals, Com. and Pref. Countries..	1,621,079	1,518,865	13,186,917*	13,638,685

OTHER COUNTRIES

<u>Western Europe</u>				
Belgium and Luxembourg	17,928	17,931	143,225	96,092
Denmark	-	-	1,380	920
Greece	2,028	-	2,544	4,563
Iceland	3,220	-	11,167	13,041
Italy	6,231	1,269	17,696	-
Netherlands	-	-	1,456	4,492
Norway	-	-	-	1,011,768
Portugal	805	7,031	24,895	26,061
Sweden	506	-	1,012	19,159
<u>Middle East</u>				
Ethiopia	-	-	-	253
Iran	-	-	1,623	678
Jordan	-	-	109,749	1,040
Lebanon	25,001	6,858	536,546	940,229

Customs Exports of Canadian Wheat Flour by Countries of Consignment

Destination	October 1961	February 1962	August-February	
	1/	2/	1961-62 2/	1960-61 3/
- bushels -				
<u>OTHER COUNTRIES (concluded)</u>				
<u>Middle East</u>				
Saudi Arabia	-	-	288	8,648
Syria	-	771	1,516	6,930
U.A.R.-Egypt	-	-	171,994	-
<u>Other Africa</u>				
Angola	-	-	1,725	12,995
Congo	10,637	1,380	95,590	111,079
French Equatorial Africa	-	-	-	862
French West Africa	-	4,379	6,833	-
Liberia	2,185	-	14,359	9,736
Mozambique	1,288	230	9,881	2,098
Portuguese Africa, nes	9,053	1,265	54,160	58,914
<u>Other Asia</u>				
Cambodia and Laos	-	-	-	56,157
Indonesia	-	141,814	362,473	205,795
Japan	27,444	84,410	674,174	844,256
Philippines	207,667	62,102	1,065,484	1,306,348
Portuguese India	20,859	-	67,944	95,275
Portuguese Asia, nes	2,530	2,024	13,662	27,324
Thailand	29,164	20,981	210,531	204,286
Viet-Nam	-	-	28,083	-
<u>Oceania</u>				
French and Netherlands Oceania ...	-	230	713	782
United States Oceania	-	-	-	25,875
<u>South America</u>				
Bolivia	-	-	-	954
Chile	1,150	920	3,220	11,587
Colombia	-	-	2,300	113,721
Peru	3,220	1,380	9,092	1,380
Surinam	4,699	3,583	43,624	45,301
Venezuela	-	1,840	13,053	21,022
<u>Central America and Antilles</u>				
Costa Rica	105,074	122,038	467,321	398,392
Cuba	-	-	-	621,943
Dominican Republic	-	-	-	5,405
El Salvador	18,929	14,617	113,540	111,863
French West Indies	1,104	230	2,024	2,507
Guatemala	7,758	3,797	43,916	29,325
Honduras	5,865	4,715	58,951	44,082
Netherlands Antilles	17,740	10,012	111,410	49,857
Nicaragua	62,502	73,842	284,009	245,778
Panama	46,777	32,423	245,504	189,469
<u>North America</u>				
St. Pierre and Miquelon	690	225	4,020	2,300
United States	127,372	117,137	721,556	684,657
Totals, Other Countries	769,426	739,434	5,754,243	7,675,199
Totals, All Countries	2,390,505	2,258,299	18,941,160*	21,313,884

nes - not elsewhere specified.

* Revisions in January data have been taken into account in the August-February cumulative totals.

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. Preliminary and unadjusted for time lag. Conversion rate: 2.3 bushels per cwt. 3/ Adjusted for time lag.

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

Class and Grade	Week Ending			
	April 6	April 13	April 20	April 27

- cents and eighths per bushel -

Initial Payment to Producers

1 Northern	150	150	150	150
2 Northern	146	146	146	146
3 Northern	142	142	142	142
4 Northern	135	135	135	135
5 Wheat	118	118	118	118
6 Wheat	112	112	112	112
Feed Wheat	106	106	106	106
1 C. W. Garnet	132	132	132	132
2 C. W. Garnet	127	127	127	127
1 Alberta Red Winter	134	134	134	134
2 Alberta Winter	129	129	129	129
1 C.W. Amber Durum	250	250	250	250
2 C.W. Amber Durum	246	246	246	246
3 C.W. Amber Durum	242	242	242	242

International Wheat Agreement

and Domestic Sales

1 Northern	190/7	190/7	190/7	190/7
2 Northern	189/7	189/7	189/7	189/7
3 Northern	188/7	188/7	188/7	188/7
4 Northern	183/7	183/7	183/7	183/7
5 Wheat	179/7	179/7	179/7	179/7
6 Wheat	178/7	178/7	178/7	178/7
Feed Wheat	174/7	174/7	174/7	174/7
1 C.W. Garnet	189/7	189/7	189/7	189/7
2 C.W. Garnet	185/7	185/7	185/7	185/7
3 C.W. Garnet	183/7	183/7	183/7	183/7
1 Alberta Red Winter	190/7	190/7	190/7	190/7
2 Alberta Winter	187/7	187/7	187/7	187/7
3 Alberta Winter	184/7	184/7	184/7	184/7
1 C.W. Amber Durum	349/7	349/7	349/7	349/7
2 C.W. Amber Durum	348/7	348/7	348/7	348/7
3 C.W. Amber Durum	346/7	346/7	346/7	346/7

Export - Class II

1 Northern	190/7	190/7	190/7	190/7
2 Northern	189/7	189/7	189/7	189/7
3 Northern	188/7	188/7	188/7	188/7
4 Northern	183/7	183/7	183/7	183/7
5 Wheat	179/7	179/7	179/7	179/7
6 Wheat	178/7	178/7	178/7	178/7
Feed Wheat	174/7	174/7	174/7	174/7
1 C. W. Garnet	189/7	189/7	189/7	189/7
2 C. W. Garnet	185/7	185/7	185/7	185/7
3 C. W. Garnet	183/7	183/7	183/7	183/7
1 C. W. Amber Durum	349/7	349/7	349/7	349/7
2 C. W. Amber Durum	348/7	348/7	348/7	348/7
3 C. W. Amber Durum	346/7	346/7	346/7	346/7

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

Class and Grade	Week Ending			
	April 6	April 13	April 20	April 27

- cents and eighths per bushel -

Initial Payment to Producers

1 Northern	150	150	150	150
2 Northern	146	146	146	146
3 Northern	142	142	142	142
4 Northern	135	135	135	135
5 Wheat	118	118	118	118
6 Wheat	112	112	112	112
Feed Wheat	106	106	106	106
1 C. W. Garnet	132	132	132	132
2 C. W. Garnet	127	127	127	127
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2 C. W. Amber Durum	246	246	246	246
3 C. W. Amber Durum	242	242	242	242

International Wheat Agreement

and Domestic Sales

1 Northern	198/3	198/3	198/3	198/3
2 Northern	197/3	197/3	197/3	197/3
3 Northern	196/3	196/3	196/3	196/3
4 Northern	191/3	191/3	191/3	191/3
5 Wheat	185/3	185/3	185/3	185/3
6 Wheat	178/3	178/3	178/3	178/3
Feed Wheat	175/3	175/3	175/3	175/3
1 C. W. Garnet	189/3	189/3	189/3	189/3
2 C. W. Garnet	185/3	185/3	185/3	185/3
3 C. W. Garnet	184/3	184/3	184/3	184/3
1 Alberta Red Winter	189/3	189/3	189/3	189/3
2 Alberta Winter	187/3	187/3	187/3	187/3
3 Alberta Winter	186/3	186/3	186/3	186/3

Export - Class II

1 Northern	198/3	198/3	198/3	198/3
2 Northern	197/3	197/3	197/3	197/3
3 Northern	196/3	196/3	196/3	196/3
4 Northern	191/3	191/3	191/3	191/3
5 Wheat	185/3	185/3	185/3	185/3
6 Wheat	178/3	178/3	178/3	178/3
Feed Wheat	175/3	175/3	175/3	175/3
1 C. W. Garnet	189/3	189/3	189/3	189/3
2 C. W. Garnet	185/3	185/3	185/3	185/3
3 C. W. Garnet	184/3	184/3	184/3	184/3
1 Alberta Red Winter	189/3	189/3	189/3	189/3
2 Alberta Winter	187/3	187/3	187/3	187/3
3 Alberta Winter	186/3	186/3	186/3	186/3

CANADIAN FLOUR MILLING SITUATION

Production Wheat flour production by Canadian mills during March 1962 amounted to 3,516,000 hundredweight, representing an increase of 24 per cent above the February output of 2,827,000 hundredweight, 4 per cent greater than the March 1961 figure of 3,387,000 hundredweight and 2 per cent more than the ten-year (1952-61) average production for the month of March of 3,459,000 hundredweight. Mills reporting operations during March 1962 had a total rated capacity of 164,000 hundredweight per 24-hour day and on the basis of a 27-day working period 79.5 per cent of this rated capacity was effective.

Wheat milled for flour during March 1962 amounted to 7,843,000 bushels, 24 per cent greater than the 6,323,000 bushels milled during the previous month and 3 per cent above the 7,584,000 bushels milled in March a year ago. Of the wheat milled for flour during March 1962, some 7,027,000 were Western Canadian spring wheat (other than Durum) while the remainder consisted of Ontario winter wheat (561,000 bushels); Durum (178,000 bushels); and all other (77,000 bushels).

Exports According to preliminary Customs returns, exports of Canadian wheat flour during February 1962 amounted to 982,000 hundredweight (some 2,258,000 bushels of wheat equivalent); representing a decrease of 7 per cent from the 2,419,000 bushels exported during the preceding month, and 6 per cent less than the adjusted February 1961 total of 2,404,000 bushels. Flour shipments during the month went to forty-nine countries with exports to Britain amounting to 775,000 bushels of wheat equivalent and accounting for 34 per cent of the February 1962 total. Other principal markets for Canadian wheat flour during the month with shipments in thousands of bushels of wheat equivalent were as follows: Ghana, 142; Indonesia, 142; Nigeria, 126; Costa Rica, 122; and United States, 117.

NOTE: Official wheat flour export data for March 1962 were not available at the time of preparation of this report. The figure for March included in this report represents an unofficial estimate.

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

Crop Year	Wheat Milled for Flour	Wheat Flour	
		Production	Exports ^{1/}
	- 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--1954-55 average	100,446,328	43,847,894	21,812,041
1955-56	91,770,025	40,148,750	17,391,300
1956-57	85,149,373	37,623,446	14,582,431
1957-58	92,288,897	40,819,678	17,556,886
1958-59	90,142,957	39,826,493	16,141,267
1959-60	91,389,801	40,344,578	16,073,893
1960-61	89,731,155	39,914,644	15,513,836
1961-62 ^{2/}			
August	7,605,269	3,386,312	1,539,241
September	7,038,632	3,125,061	1,113,117
October	7,554,017	3,390,604	1,170,699
November	8,196,493	3,668,026	1,058,724
December	6,890,583	3,084,983	1,319,836
January	6,919,873	3,092,954	1,051,801 ^{5/}
February	6,323,460	2,826,583	981,869 ^{3/}
March	7,843,383	3,516,174	1,300,000 ^{4/}
Totals	58,371,710	26,090,697	9,535,287
Same months 1960-61 ^{5/}	60,578,039	26,884,661	10,609,368

^{1/} Based on Customs returns. Exports for the crop years 1945-46--1960-61 revised to remove effect of time lag in the returns made by Customs.

^{2/} Subject to revision.

^{3/} Preliminary.

^{4/} Estimated see NOTE above.

^{5/} Revised.

UNITED STATES SITUATION

Supply Position Domestic supplies of wheat in the United States for the 1961-62 crop year (July-June) are estimated at 2,646.9 million bushels, consisting of the July 1, 1961 carryover of 1,412.2 million and the 1961 crop, placed at 1,234.7 million bushels. Domestic supplies of the size indicated would be 1 per cent less than last year's record of 2,670.8 million bushels. Preliminary figures indicate that imports of wheat and flour from Canada during the July-March period of the current United States crop year were equivalent to some 3.2 million bushels. Domestic disappearance during 1961-62 is estimated at about 590 million bushels, slightly less than the 606.3 million last year. After deducting anticipated domestic requirements for the current crop year, some 2,060.1 million remain available for export and for carryover, compared with the 2,071.0 million in 1960-61.

Exports of wheat, wheat flour and other products in terms of grain equivalent during the first nine months (July-March) of the 1961-62 United States crop year amounted to 530.1 million bushels, 8 per cent greater than the 490.8 million exported during the same months in 1960-61. The balance remaining on April 1, 1962 for export and for carryover was estimated at 1,529.9 million bushels a decrease of 3 per cent from the 1,580.1 million on the same date a year ago.

United States Wheat Supplies

Item	1960-61	1961-62 <u>1/</u>
	- million bushels -	
Carryover at beginning of crop year (July 1)	1,313.5	1,412.2
New Crop	1,357.3	1,234.7
Total estimated domestic supplies	2,670.8	2,646.9
Imports of wheat and wheat flour in terms of wheat for domestic use, July-March	6.5	3.2
Total estimated supplies <u>2/</u>	2,677.3	2,650.1
Less estimated domestic requirements for crop year <u>3/</u>	606.3	590.0
Available for export and for carryover	2,071.0	2,060.1
Deduct:		
Exports of wheat as grain, July-March	413.0	451.1
Exports of wheat flour and products in terms of wheat, July-March <u>4/</u>	77.8	79.0
Total exports of wheat, wheat flour and products <u>5/</u>	490.8	530.1
Balance on April 1 for export and for carryover ..	1,580.1	1,529.9

1/ Preliminary.

2/ Excluding imports for April-June.

3/ Includes shipments to United States Territories and wheat for military food use at home and abroad.

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.

Stocks of Wheat
in All Positions
April 1, 1962

On April 24, the United States Department of Agriculture reported that all wheat stocks of 1,642 million bushels stored in all positions were 4 per cent below a year earlier but nearly one-half larger than average. Off-farm stocks of 1,431 million bushels were the second largest of record. Disappearance of wheat from all positions during the January-March quarter at 340 million bushels was below the record 361 million bushel disappearance during the same quarter a year earlier but still ranked among the heaviest of record. More than three-fourths of the total stocks were either owned by the Government or were under Government loan.

U.S. Wheat Stocks by Positions, April 1, 1962 with Comparisons

Position	April 1 Average 1951-60	April 1 1961	January 1 1962	April 1 1962
- thousand bushels -				
On Farms ^{1/}	224,455	258,115	358,558	211,011
Commodity Credit Corp. ^{2/}	62,813	72,259	60,305	59,223
Mills, Elev. & Whses. ^{1/} ^{3/}	831,800	1,376,245	1,562,774	1,371,499
Totals	1,119,068	1,706,619	1,981,637	1,641,733

^{1/} Estimates of the Crop Reporting Board.

^{2/} Owned by C.C.C. and stored in bins or other storages owned or controlled by C.C.C.; other C.C.C.-owned grain is included in the estimates by positions.

^{3/} All off-farm storages not otherwise designated, including flour mills, terminal elevators, and processing plants.

Wheat Stocks
on Farms

The Crop Reporting Board, United States Department of Agriculture in its production report under date of April 10, stated in part that April 1 farmstocks of all wheat at 211 million bushels were 18 per cent below a year earlier and 6 per cent below average. April 1 stocks were equivalent to 17.1 per cent of the 1961 production; and a year ago April 1, stocks were 19.0 per cent of the 1960 production. Government loan or purchase agreements accounted for about three-fifths of the total wheat stocks on farms April 1, 1962.

Winter Wheat Crop
Estimated at
921 Million Bushels

In a report released on April 10, 1962 the Crop Reporting Board of the United States Department of Agriculture stated in part that the 1962 winter wheat crop is off to a sleepy start as lingering winter temperatures have held plants in dormancy until a late date. This crop started under favorable conditions, but the winter season moved in with an early vengeance that persisted throughout most of the winter and slowed development of the crop. Soil moisture conditions are generally adequate to excessive, and the crop is expected to respond favorably to warmer temperatures. Production is forecast at 921 million bushels, 14 per cent less than the large 1961 crop but 5 per cent above the 10-year average.

The indicated yield per seeded acre, at 23.6 bushels, ranks as the fourth highest of record but is well below the record 26.9 bushel yield of 1958. This yield forecast is based on growing conditions about April 1 as reported by crop correspondents. In addition to the usual factors of weather, insects and disease that exert significant influence on the final crop, the 1962 outturn will be dependent on the final decision of growers relative to the acreage to be harvested. In the last 10 years, the average of the increases or decreases in the United States production estimate from April 1 to harvest has been 94 million bushels, ranging from a maximum change of 210 million bushels to a minimum of 22 million bushels.

The acreage expected to be harvested for grain, at 35.1 million acres, represents 90 per cent of the seeded acreage, smaller than the 93.9 per cent harvested in 1961 but above the average percentage of 84.6 per cent.

The 1962 winter wheat crop was seeded at an early date and made favorable fall growth under good moisture conditions except in South Atlantic and Gulf States and the Pacific Northwest. Winter temperatures were relatively severe, but generous snow cover gave protection to much of the acreage, especially in the Central Plains and Corn Belt States. Areas of Michigan, Pennsylvania, New York, and Northern Ohio were under a damaging ice cover in February that appears to have resulted in extensive losses in local areas. South Atlantic and Gulf States were exceptionally dry at the time of normal fall seeding, with much of the acreage seeded late and some intended acreage not seeded. Pacific Northwest acreage struggled through a discouraging fall seeding and winter brought only moderate improvement.

Prospects in the Great Plains States continue above average but some problem areas were beginning to develop by late March. Kansas yield prospects continued quite favorable as late March rains over much of Western Kansas improved the moisture situation for wheat in areas where surface moisture was beginning to be short. Production prospects in Texas and Oklahoma declined during the winter, as rainfall has been short during the first three months of 1962. Surface soils in western areas of Oklahoma and over much of the important producing area in Texas were becoming dry by April 1. However, plants generally are deep rooted and able to partially satisfy current moisture needs from the favorable sub-soil moisture supplies. The Colorado and Nebraska acreage is emerging from the winter in a thrifty condition, as soil moisture is favorable and winter losses were at a minimum.

The Corn Belt acreage is quite backward as lingering winter temperatures and excessive moisture have dulled the early spring growth. The crop was just beginning to show new vigor by late March with growers still not fully aware of the extent of winter damage.

Prospects in the Northern Rocky Mountain and Pacific Northwest States are below average as poor fall seeding conditions slowed early season growth and early spring temperatures were too cold for satisfactory growth. Spring moisture has been favorable and the crop should show improvement as temperatures rise.

The Atlantic Coast and South Central States were generally plagued with dry soils that greatly delayed fall plantings and resulted in a large late acreage. Winter moisture replenished soil supplies, but the crop has responded slowly due to prolonged winter temperatures and a minimum fall growth. Fields are beginning to show favorable development in the more southerly areas with plants in the "boot" in south Alabama.

U.S. Wheat and Flour Exports
Continue Upward Trend

earlier.

U.S. wheat and flour exports during July 1961 through January 1962 totaled 413 million bushels--63 million bushels more than during the same period a year

Wheat exports at 295 million bushels were 21 per cent larger than during July-January 1960-61. Countries taking significantly more U.S. wheat during the first 7 months of 1961-62 are shown in million bushels with comparable data for the previous year in parentheses: Brazil 35.1 (16.0); West Germany 12.0 (4.4); the Netherlands 14.3 (3.6); Yugoslavia 13.4 (0); Turkey 23.0 (2.9); Algeria 6.9 (.8); Morocco 7.0 (.6); and Tunisia 10.9 (2.7). In contrast, there were sharp reductions in shipments to Poland and India.

U.S. exports of flour during July 1961 through January 1962 totaled 56 million bushels, approximately 1 million larger than the previous season. There were only slight variations to most destinations. Shipments to Egypt--the largest market--during July-January 1961-62 were 15 million bushels, nearly a million larger than during the first 7 months of 1960-61.

Total wheat and flour exports during July-February 1961-62 are preliminarily estimated at 467 million bushels, compared with 417 million during the first 8 months of 1960-61.

United States Exports of Wheat and Flour by Country of Destination
July-January 1960-61 and 1961-62

Destination	July-January 1960-61			July-January 1961-62		
	Wheat	Flour	Total	Wheat	Flour	Total
- thousand bushels -						
<u>Western Hemisphere</u>						
Canada	5,731	34	5,765	9,220	98	9,318
Central America	1,527	1,745	3,272	2,068	1,686	3,754
Cuba	547	1,085	1,632	-	-	-
Bolivia	-	1,581	1,581	-	1,860	1,860
Brazil	16,038	94	16,132	35,125	140	35,265
Chile	1,200	694	1,894	6,933	946	7,879
Colombia	1,625	655	2,280	2,140	540	2,680
Paraguay	-	48	48	2,359	60	2,419
Peru	2,012	280	2,292	5,546	357	5,903
Venezuela	4,785	79	4,864	7,316	46	7,362
Others	1,373	2,458	3,831	2,137	2,854	4,991
Totals	34,838	8,753	43,591	72,844	8,587	81,431
<u>Europe</u>						
Belgium-Luxembourg	2,493	3	2,496	4,218	2	4,220
France	397	1	398	3,063	-	3,063
Germany, West	4,423	233	4,656	11,999	156	12,155
Greece	1,191	1,153	2,344	1,408	1,124	2,532
Italy	16,101	3,591	19,692	13,206	3,564	16,770
Netherlands	3,586	1,806	5,392	14,296	1,780	16,076
Norway	536	258	794	2,331	7	2,338
Poland	29,738	414	30,152	4,030	491	4,521
Portugal	2,022	559	2,581	4,211	355	4,566
Spain	9,515	228	9,743	13,905	324	14,229
Switzerland	1,356	-	1,356	4,385	2/	4,385
United Kingdom	9,792	786	10,578	7,369	1,742	9,111
Yugoslavia	-	1,374	1,374	13,386	1,515	14,901
Others	1,375	432	1,807	1,487	712	2,199
Totals	82,525	10,838	93,363	99,294	11,772	111,066
<u>Asia</u>						
Ceylon	-	1,855	1,855	-	1,947	1,947
India	86,570	23	86,593	52,859	435	53,294
Iran	3,088	144	3,232	301	135	436
Israel	4,179	97	4,276	5,273	81	5,354

United States Exports of Wheat and Flour by Country of Destination
July-January 1960-61 and 1961-62

Destination	July-January 1960-61			July-January 1961-62		
	Wheat	Flour ^{1/}	Total	Wheat	Flour ^{1/}	Total
- thousand bushels -						
<u>Asia (concluded)</u>						
Japan	20,048	1,680	21,728	20,826	1,525	22,351
Jordan	1,854	1,152	3,006	8	2,113	2,121
Korea	5,003	633	5,636	4,979	562	5,541
Pakistan	18,539	561	19,100	21,371	346	21,717
Philippines	3,214	862	4,076	5,883	715	6,598
Saudi Arabia	20	1,311	1,331	47	1,178	1,225
Syria	3,883	3,723	7,606	1,909	989	2,898
Taiwan (Formosa)	6,577	346	6,923	6,930	649	7,579
Turkey	2,908	67	2,975	23,023	193	23,216
Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia	575	1,975	2,550	63	1,675	1,738
Others	2,500	3,150	5,650	1,211	3,342	4,553
Totals	158,958	17,579	176,537	144,683	15,885	160,568
<u>Africa</u>						
Algeria	791	287	1,078	6,916	255	7,171
Congo, Republic of	-	235	235	-	1,096	1,096
Egypt	11,529	14,493	26,022	13,213	15,260	28,473
Morocco	623	583	1,206	7,027	748	7,775
Nigeria	-	1,137	1,137	-	1,159	1,159
Tunisia	2,712	43	2,755	10,909	104	11,013
Others	2,657	1,054	3,711	1,705	1,116	2,821
Totals	18,312	17,832	36,144	39,770	19,738	59,508
Oceania	-	23	23	-	23	23
Totals, All Countries ^{3/} .	294,633	55,025	349,658	356,591	56,005	412,596

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

^{2/} Less than 500 bushels.

^{3/} Includes shipments for relief or charity.

Prospective 1962

Carryover by Classes

According to the April 27 issue of the "Wheat Situation" carryover stocks July 1, 1962 are expected to be about as follows, expressed in million bushels (1961 in parentheses): Hard red winter, 1,150 (1,109); hard red spring, 180 (237); durum, 2 (16); white, 26 (38); and soft red winter, 22 (12); with the total of all classes, 1,380 (1,412). The decline in the prospective total carryover amounts to 32 million bushels. Decreases more than offset the increases in the various classes. Decreases in hard red spring, durum and white wheat indicate that 1961 crops were smaller than the estimated domestic disappearance and exports. Although prospective stocks of hard red spring wheat are below last year, they are about equal the 1951-60 average carryover of 177 million bushels and also about equal the 1956-60 average domestic disappearance and exports of 182 million bushels. Because durum production was very small and exports were large, reflecting shortages of durum in other countries, supplies available for domestic disappearance are the lowest since 1955-56, when rust greatly reduced the crop for the 3rd consecutive year. White wheat stocks are expected to be down due to the smaller crop.

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 -	
April 2, 1962	211 1/2	- 213 1/4	April 2, 1962	233 1/2	- 234 1/2
3	210	- 249 3/4 1/	3	235 1/2	- 236 1/2
4	213	- 214	4	235 3/4	- 236 3/4
5	212 1/4		5	235 3/8	- 236 3/8
6	211		6	235	- 236
9	223 1/4		9	234 3/8	- 235 3/8
10	211 1/4	- 211 1/2	10	234	- 235
11	211 1/2	- 212 1/2	11	233 1/4	- 234 1/4
12	211	- 211 1/2	12	233 1/8	- 234 1/8
13	213 1/2		13	234 1/8	
16	211	- 251 1/4 1/	16	232 3/4	- 233 3/4
17	211	- 219 1/2	17	232 1/8	
18	210 1/2	- 250 1/4 1/	18	232 1/4	
19	211		19	232 5/8	
20	GOOD FRIDAY		20	GOOD FRIDAY	
23	213	- 214	23	232 7/8	- 233 7/8
24	211 1/4		24	234 3/4	- 235 3/8
25	210 1/4	- 249 3/4 1/	25	234 1/8	- 235 1/8
26	210 1/4		26	235 1/8	- 236 1/8
27	211 1/4	- 215	27	235 7/8	- 237 7/8
30	211 1/4	- 212 1/4	30	236	- 238

1/ Nominal.

Chicago Wheat Futures, High Points of Closing

Date	May	July	September	December	March
	- cents and eighths per bushel -				
April 2, 1962	207/7	210/2	213	218/2	221
3	208/2	210/4	213/2	218/4	222
4	209/4	211/3	214/1	219/1	222/5
5	209/1	211/1	213/6	218/6	222
6	209	211	213/6	218/7	222
9	209/1	211	213/5	218/7	222
10	209/7	211/2	213/5	218/6	221/5
11	210/4	211/6	214/1	218/7	221/5
12	210/5	211/6	214/3	219/2	222/1
13	211/6	212/6	215/1	219/6	222/1
16	211/7	213	215/2	219/5	222/2
17	209/7	211/6	214/1	218/5	221/1
18	210/5	212/6	215	219/2	221/4
19	210/2	212/4	214/7	219/2	221/2
20			GOOD FRIDAY		
23	210/2	212/6	215	219/3	221/2
24	209/7	212/4	214/6	219/2	221
25	209/6	212/4	214/5	219	221
26	209/6	212/3	214/5	219/1	221
27	211	213/5	215/5	220	221/5
30	212/7	214/4	216/3	220/6	222

AUSTRALIAN SITUATION

Supply Position Estimated supplies of wheat in Australia for the 1961-62 (December-November) crop year amount to some 270.6 million bushels, consisting of the December 1, 1961 carryover of 24.3 million and the current crop now officially estimated at 246.3 million bushels. Supplies of the size indicated, reflecting relatively sharp declines in both carryover stocks and production, represent an 18 per cent reduction from the 1960-61 total of 331.4 million. After deducting 73.0 million for anticipated domestic requirements, an estimated 197.6 million are available for export and for carryover during 1961-62, as against 255.7 million in 1960-61.

Combined exports of wheat as grain and wheat flour in terms of grain equivalent during the period December 1-March 31 of the current Australian crop year amounted to 68.0 million bushels relatively unchanged from the 68.1 million exported during the corresponding period of 1960-61. The balance remaining on April 1, 1962 for export and for carryover, at 129.6 million bushels, represented a decrease of 31 per cent from the comparable 1961 figure of 187.6 million.

Australian Wheat Supplies

Item	1960-61	1961-62 <u>1/</u>
	- million bushels -	
Carryover, including flour as wheat, at beginning of crop year (December 1)	60.5	24.3
New Crop	270.9	246.3 <u>2/</u>
Total estimated domestic supplies	331.4	270.6
Less estimated domestic requirements for crop year ...	75.7	73.0 <u>2/</u>
Available for export and for carryover	255.7	197.6
Deduct:		
Exports of wheat as grain, December 1-March 31	58.3	59.3
Exports of wheat flour in terms of wheat, December 1-March 31.....	9.8	8.7
Total exports of wheat and wheat flour	68.1	68.0
Balance on April 1 for export and for carryover	187.6	129.6

1/ Preliminary.

2/ Revised.

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Crop Position Preparations for the 1962-63 crop are currently under way throughout the Australian wheat-growing belts. Indications all point to a greater acreage being put under wheat and it is being forecast that, if the weather conditions remain favourable, Australia should produce its first 300 million bushel harvest.

The weather in Victoria, however, is playing havoc and except for the north-west of the Mallee, that State is suffering badly from lack of rain. Apart from a few local showers or an unseasonable deluge as was recorded in the Mallee early in December, Victoria generally has been experiencing drought conditions which at this date show little prospect of change.

The remainder of the States report good sowing conditions, particularly New South Wales and Queensland where there is abundant subsoil moisture. In Western Australia lack of general rain has left this State in an almost completely dry condition. This is not unusual as records show rainless periods until late April or early May before seeding commences.

A surplus in excess of market possibilities resulting from prospects for an all time record harvest are not worrying local officials because the recent major sales, including the 24 million bushels to Mainland China, reported in our last month's review, will ensure emptying of silos in readiness for the next harvest.

The 1961-62 wheat crop is now officially estimated at 246.3 million bushels.

General

There have been no major sales reported for the period under review.

The reaction to the increase of the maximum and minimum prices for wheat agreed to at the International Wheat Agreement has been one of general satisfaction. It has been pointed out, however, in wheat circles, that this increase has been long overdue and represents a recognition of the general increase in cost of production. It is also stressed that the increase in price, to operate from August 1, 1962, will not mean higher returns to the wheat growers since current prices were within the new price range.

The Wheat Stabilization Scheme which provides for the support of the price of wheat to the producer is based on an export of 100 million bushels. The Australian Agricultural Council in light of the magnitude of the country's wheat production in the past two years has been examining this scheme. It now agrees that an economic survey of the wheat industry should be carried out as a starting point for negotiations for a new wheat stabilization scheme to take effect next year. Several suggestions have been put forward for the new legislation. One, that the Commonwealth guarantee should be on 150 million bushels; second, that a specific profit component should be included in the cost of production and third, that the yield divisor should not be fixed arbitrarily but should be taken as the actual yield of that year as calculated by the Commonwealth Statistician.

Exports of Australian Wheat and Wheat Flour in Terms of Wheat December 1-March 31, 1961-62 and Corresponding Period 1960-61

Destination	Wheat		Wheat Flour	
	1960-61	1961-62	1960-61	1961-62
- thousand bushels -				
<u>Europe</u>				
Albania	678	-	-	-
Britain	9,037	7,383	789	1,009
Eire	2,369	716	-	-
Italy	8,148	4,844	-	-
Malta	-	317	-	-
Norway	1,021	1,641	-	-
Spain and Canary Islands	745	5,912	-	-

Exports of Australian Wheat and Wheat Flour in Terms of Wheat
December 1-March 31, 1961-62 and Corresponding Period 1960-61

Destination	Wheat		Wheat Flour	
	1960-61	1961-62	1960-61	1961-62
- thousand bushels -				
<u>Europe</u>				
Switzerland	-	73	-	-
West Germany	2,969	4,320	-	-
Others	-	-	1	2
<u>Middle East</u>				
Aden	165	212	-	-
Aden and Aden I/T	-	-	390	362
Aden Atta	-	-	104	74
Egypt	-	1,881	-	-
Iran	379	97	-	-
Iraq	3,348	733	-	-
Lebanon, Jordan, Syria .	653	1,903	-	-
Persian Gulf	-	-	234	50
Persian Atta	-	-	428	686
Saudi Arabia	-	-	41	26
Others	95	114	12	7
<u>Africa</u>				
Algeria	827	445	-	-
Kenya	129	881	-	-
Mauritius	-	-	317	281
Nyasaland	-	-	86	75
Port, East Africa	-	197	-	-
Rhodesia	1,341	1,092	-	-
Zanzibar	-	-	56	43
Others	4	5	25	31
<u>Asia</u>				
British North Borneo ...	-	-	117	68
Brunei	-	-	23	15
Burma	75	147	92	92
Ceylon	4	11	589	2,114
Ceylon Atta	-	-	-	1/
China	18,268	17,364	1,923	-
Hong Kong	993	1,127	87	105
India	1,421	919	-	-
Indonesia	-	-	1,131	228
Japan	2,018	4,868	-	-
Malaya	147	232	1,188	1,261
Malaya Atta	-	-	25	30
North Korea	411	-	-	-
Pakistan	875	19	-	-
Sarawak	-	-	69	83
Singapore	35	26	984	1,014
Singapore Atta	-	-	3	5
Singapore a/c War Office	-	-	20	12
Thailand	-	-	225	222
Others	84	157	35	70

Exports of Australian Wheat and Wheat Flour in Terms of Wheat
December 1-March 31, 1961-62 and Corresponding Period 1960-61

Destination	Wheat		Wheat Flour	
	1960-61	1961-62	1960-61	1961-62
- thousand bushels -				
<u>Pacific Area and Sundries</u>				
Dutch New Guinea	-	-	40	33
New Zealand	2,045	1,646	-	-
Pacific Islands etc.	15	13	720	660
Royal Navy	2	2	-	-
Ships' Stores etc.	-	-	46	41
Totals	58,300	59,300	9,800	8,700

1/ Less than 500 bushels.

ARGENTINE SITUATION

Supply Position Estimated total supplies of wheat in the Argentine for the 1961-62 (December-November) crop year amount to 235.2 million bushels, consisting of the December 1, 1961 carryover of 45.9 million and the new crop, placed at 189.2 million. Indicated supplies for the current Argentine crop year, reflecting a 30 per cent increase in production which more than offset a decline in carryover stocks, are about 19 per cent more than the 1960-61 total of 197.1 million bushels. After making an allowance of 139.6 million bushels for anticipated domestic requirements, an estimated 95.5 million are available for export and for carryover compared with 64.8 million in 1960-61.

Argentine Wheat Supplies

Item	1960-61 1/	1961-62 2/
- million bushels -		
Carryover at beginning of crop year (December 1) 3/ ...	51.6	45.9
New Crop 4/	145.5	189.2
Total estimated domestic supplies	197.1	235.2
Less estimated domestic requirements for crop year	132.3	139.6
Available for export and for carryover	64.8	95.5
Deduct:		
Exports of wheat as grain, December-March	24.4	46.5
Exports of wheat flour in terms of wheat, December-March	5/	0.1
Total exports of wheat and wheat flour	24.5	46.5
Balance on April 1 for export and for carryover	40.4	49.0

1/ Revised. 2/ Preliminary. 3/ Includes allowances for farm stocks. 4/ Official estimate. 5/ Less than 50,000 bushels.

Exports of wheat and wheat flour in terms of grain equivalent during December 1961-March 1962 amounted to 46.5 million bushels, almost double the 24.5 million exported during the same months in 1960-61. The balance remaining on April 1, 1962 for export and for carryover was estimated at 49.0 million bushels, 21 per cent greater than the April 1, 1961 total of 40.4 million.

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Weather
and Crops

At the middle of March drought conditions existed in several sections of the country, particularly in central-western Argentina (provinces of Buenos Aires and La Pampa). Cattle were suffering from poor pastures and lack of water, and late sown corn-fields were not developing normally. This situation changed dramatically from March 24 onwards. Heavy rainfalls covered many areas of the provinces of Buenos Aires and La Pampa and almost the entire areas of the provinces of Cordoba, Santa Fe and Entre Rios. By the end of the month soil moisture was more than adequate in all of the important grain and fodder growing areas. The rainfall also permitted soil preparation for the oncoming winter crops and seeding of dual purpose fodder crops.

Rainfall continued into the first two weeks of April and torrential downpours flooded many areas. The drought peril appears to have receded into the background for livestock producers.

Wheat

The land is now being prepared for the early sowing of wheat in the Provinces of Santa Fe and Cordoba. As yet, there has been no indication of what area is likely to be seeded to wheat. Minimum official prices for wheat for the crop year 1962-63 - which should have been announced on April 15 - have not been published and there is no way of knowing how attractive they might be.

Towards the end of March exporters showed a keen interest in wheat and prices of up to 450 pesos per 100 kilos (\$1.25 per bushel) were paid for bread wheat at Bahia Blanca. Durum wheat was also selling at high prices over 1,000 pesos per 100 kilos (\$2.78 per bushel) and it is expected that these prices will have some considerable bearing on acreage which will be seeded to Durum wheat in the coming year.

Wheat exports, by the end of the first quarter of 1962, had already surpassed the 1,000,000 ton mark (36,743,000 bushels) with increased shipments to Brazil, Britain and the Continent.

Present prices in the Buenos Aires Cereal Exchange are as follows: Hard wheat, basis 80 kilos per hectolitre (64 pounds per bushel), 465 pesos (\$1.29 per bushel); semi-hard, same basis, 452 pesos (\$1.26 per bushel); Candeal (Durum) 1,020 pesos (\$2.83 per bushel); all per 100 kilos. The Grain Board was not in the market during this period.

General Market Situation
and Official Policies

The present political and economic crisis in Argentina is having a noticeable effect on the local grain market. During late March and early April the Futures markets were closed for a period of almost two weeks. During the first week in April the Argentine Central Bank discontinued its support of the peso at the 82/83 per US \$ level (where it had remained for over three years) and the peso is now being quoted at around 96/98 pesos

per US \$. This devaluation of about 16 per cent would favour exports but as Argentina has no difficulty in disposing of all of its exportable surplus of grain in foreign markets it is strongly rumoured that the Government will reimpose export retentions in order to limit exporters profits.

The Government has also announced that as from May 1 the 10 per cent general sales tax (which applies to domestic trade imports and exports) will be raised to 13 per cent.

As already indicated, no minimum official support prices have as yet been established for the 1962-63 crop year. Normally these prices should be established in accordance with the following schedule: January 25 for oats and rye, April 15 for wheat, flax and barley, and June 30 for peanuts, sunflowerseed and millet. It is thought that the National Grain Board is holding back the announcement of prices until the economic situation becomes more stable so that producers will be assured an adequate return.

Argentine Wheat Exports December 1961-February 1962 with Comparisons

Destination	Wheat	Destination	Wheat
	- thousand bushels -		- thousand bushels -
Algeria	331	Japan	27
Belgium	880	Netherlands	3,207
Bolivia	18	Norway	284
Brazil	5,951	Paraguay	16
Britain	5,903	Peru	1,316
Bulgaria	384	Switzerland	98
Finland	18	Venezuela	411
France	918		
Germany	4,987		
Italy	965	Total	25,714

Compared with:

December-February 1960-61	15,669
1959-60	11,943
1958-59	23,902
1957-58	10,521
1956-57	19,020

FRENCH SITUATION

Supply Position Total estimated commercial domestic supplies of wheat in France for the crop year (August-July) 1961-62, consisting of the August 1 carryover of 67.5 million bushels and marketings of 257.2 million, amounted to some 324.7 million bushels, two per cent less than the 1960-61 total (including August-February imports of 0.1 million bushels) of 332.7 million. After deducting 211.3 million bushels for anticipated domestic requirements, a total of 113.4 million were available for export and for carryover during 1961-62, 9 per cent below the 1960-61 level of 124.7 million.

Combined exports of wheat and wheat flour in terms of grain equivalent during the first seven months of current crop year amounted to 32.8 million bushels and represented a decrease of 18 per cent from the comparable 1960-61 total of 40.1 million. The balance of commercial supplies remaining on March 1, 1962 amounted to 80.6 million bushels compared with the March 1, 1961 total of 84.6 million.

French Supplies of Soft Wheat

Item	1960-61	1961-62 ^{1/}
	- million bushels -	
Commercial carryover, August 1	54.3	67.5
Deliveries to Grain Board	278.4	257.2
Imports August-February	0.1	-
Totals estimated supplies	332.7	324.7
Less estimated domestic requirements for crop year ..	208.0	211.3
Available for export and for carryover	124.7	113.4
Deduct:		
Exports of wheat as grain, August-February	35.6	25.5
Exports of wheat flour in terms of wheat, August-February	4.4	7.3
Total exports of wheat and wheat flour	40.1	32.8
Balance on March 1 for export and for carryover	84.6	80.6

^{1/} Preliminary.

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Weather and Crops

Wide-spread rains accompanied by unseasonable low temperatures continued throughout March and into April causing some deterioration in the outlook for winter-seeded cereals in certain areas, principally in the North and Eastern regions of France. Until the Easter period growth was approximately four weeks behind normal and re-seeding to spring cereals on a small scale was anticipated. However, the sudden arrival of sunny warm temperatures about April 20 brought a quick advance in growth and crop prospects. By the end of the month, spring seeding was well under way and with moisture reserves at satisfactory levels, production forecasts are generally favourable.

Acreage estimates on April 1, 1962 indicate that the area sown to winter and spring wheat is 14.6 per cent greater than one year ago. The area sown to other cereals is down from last year, especially for barley and oats which has declined 26.7 per cent and 27.1 per cent, respectively. The area sown to winter cereals is estimated at 5.2 million hectares (12.8 million acres) compared with 4.3 million (10.6 million acres) last year, an increase of 21.5 per cent. Spring seeded cereals were about 42 per cent lower on April 1 this year compared with last, but this

decrease is in part caused by the late arrival of spring weather conditions and will likely recover during the month of May. By April 1 the area sown to durum wheat had reached 49,800 hectares (123,000 acres), slightly higher than at the same time last year.

Area Sown to Winter Cereals

Grain	April 1, 1961	April 1, 1962
- thousand acres -		
Wheat	8,464	10,471
Wheat and rye	37	27
Rye	645	635
Barley	661	777
Oats	686	822
Mixed grains	70	100
Totals	10,563	12,831

Area Sown to Spring Cereals

Grain	April 1, 1961	April 1, 1962
- thousand acres -		
Wheat	907	271
Barley	3,516	2,280
Oats	2,418	1,439
Mixed grains	86	30
Totals	6,927	4,019

French Grain Market Contracts for the sale of French soft wheat to third countries and the Franc Zone totalled 660,000 tons (24,251,000 bushels) by the middle of April, and for barley about 600,000 tons (27,558,000 bushels), since the beginning of the crop year. Wheat sales are running slightly lower than last year, while sales of barley are about the same. At the end of March, France purchased 35,000 tons (1,286,000 bushels) of durum wheat from Argentina and 4,500 tons (165,000 bushels) from Spain. Since then, an additional two cargoes of Argentine wheat and one cargo of Dark Amber durum wheat have also been purchased. French and Algerian outstanding requirements of durum wheat, until the harvest of the new crop, are conservatively estimated at 25,000 tons (919,000 bushels).

CROP PROSPECTS IN WEST GERMANY

According to a report received from Mr. W.J. O'Connor, Assistant Commercial Secretary, Bonn, Germany under date of April 17, 1962 there were unusually heavy frosts in most parts of the Federal Republic in late February and during the

month of March. The Federal Government had intended to publish information on the extent of winterkilling by the end of March, but these reports have been delayed because of the difficulty in determining the amount of damage which has occurred.

In Southern Germany there was enough snow cover to protect the crops, but in other areas the snowfall, although heavier than normal, only served to interfere with the collection of data on the crops. This was due to intermittent snowfalls followed by thaws.

Preliminary information indicates that winterkilling has been very severe. It is estimated that 15 per cent of the winter rye crop, 20 per cent of winter wheat, 36 per cent of winter barley, 40 per cent of rapeseed and 20 per cent of the clover has been killed.

Cold weather is also interfering with the planting of spring crops and it is likely that the total area sown to grain and other field crops will be less than last year.

CALENDAR OF WHEAT EVENTS

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| April | 6 | According to the Bureau of the Census, United States Department of Commerce wheat flour production in the United States in February 1962 amounted to 21,708,000 hundredweight, an average of 1,085,000 hundredweight per working day. |
| | 10 | According to a report published by the Crop Reporting Board, United States Department of Agriculture the 1962 winter wheat crop is forecast at 921 million bushels, 14 per cent less than the 1960 crop of 1,076 million but 5 per cent above the 1951-60 average of 876 million. |
| | 18 | Total stocks of Canadian wheat at March 31, 1962 are estimated at 481.9 million bushels compared with 749.6 million on the same date in 1961 and the record of 904.4 million in 1957. |
| | 22 | The first lake vessel of the 1962 shipping season, the Scott Misener, arrived at the Canadian Lakehead. |
| | 24 | According to Broomhall more seasonable conditions prevail over much of Europe but reports continue to stress lateness of crop development owing to earlier cold. In addition, damage from the protracted winter is being verified in a number of countries. |
| May | 2 | According to a telegraphic crop report published by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics field work should become general in most areas of the Prairie Provinces during the present week. Apart from some southern districts in Alberta and Saskatchewan little or no seeding has been done to date. Pasture and range growth has been slow so far this season. With some exceptions, surface moisture is adequate for germination, but over wide areas sub-soil reserves are at critically low levels. |
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