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WORLD WHEAT SITUATION

Wheat Supplies of Four Major Exporters Almost Unchanged from a Year Ago Total supplies of wheat remaining on or about July 1, 1963 in United States, Canada, Argentina and Australia, amounted to 1,821.5 million bushels compared with 1,830.7 million a year ago. Although supplies in Canada and Australia

were at higher levels than a year ago these were more than offset by smaller totals for United States (carryover stocks only) and Argentina. Supplies at July 1, 1963, in millions of bushels, were held as follows, with last year's comparable figures in brackets: United States, 1,189.4 (1,321.9); Canada, 489.4 (412.8); Argentina, 23.1 (32.5); and Australia, 119.6 (63.5). Estimates for both crop years include on-farm stocks as well as those in commercial positions.

Wheat Shipments from Major Exporters Below Previous Year's Record As anticipated early in the crop year, world trade in wheat during 1962-63 (August-July) did not maintain the peak volume established in 1961-62. World production of wheat increased to near-record volume in 1962 and this

offset the decline in beginning carryover stocks. The expansion in production was, however, not uniform in all parts of the world and it was evident that those areas in which significant increases occurred, particularly Western Europe and North Africa, were regions which had accounted for a considerable volume of the increased wheat imports in 1961-62. Reflecting this background of increased world supplies, total shipments of wheat and flour in terms of wheat from the United States, Canada and Australia during the first eleven months of 1962-63 have amounted to 1,118.7 million bushels, 13 per cent below the previous year's total of 1,286.8 million, with each of these four countries sharing in the decline. However, the 1962-63 August-June total was still one third above the ten-year (1951-52--1960-61) average for the corresponding period. Shipments from the four traditional major wheat exporters during August-June of the 1962-63 crop year, with comparisons, appear in the accompanying table.

Exports of Wheat and Flour in Terms of Wheat, August 1962-June 1963 with Comparisons

August-June	United States	Canada	Argentina	Australia	Total
		- 1	million bushels	-	-11-2-10
1950-51	. 346.4	209.1	87.5	119.7	762.7
1951-52		312.9	24.1	86.4	869.5
1952-53		341.4	29.3	94.8	762.2
1953-54		234.3	101.2	57.0	583.2
1954-55		231.9	123.0	88.6	696.7
1955-56		284.1	103.3	96.3	801.5
1956-57		241.9	93.2	115.6	957.9
1957-58		294.6	70.2	57.2	792.0
1958-59		274.7	95.7	71.5	858.2
1959-60		259.7	67.5	103.9	901.2
1960-61		324.4	60.7	170.2	1,173.7
1961-62 1/		336.2	85.2	206.2	1,286.8
$1962-63 \ \overline{2}/$		309.2	57.2	163.6	1,118.7

^{1/} Revised.

^{2/} Preliminary.

CANADIAN SITUATION

Initial Prices and Grain Policy The Hon. Mitchell Sharp (Minister of Trade and Commerce) made the following speech in the House of Commons on July 24, 1963. "I wish to make a statement about Canadian Wheat Board initial

prices to producers for western wheat, oats and barley for the crop year beginning August 1, 1963. These are being fixed at \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Manitoba northern, basis in store Fort William-Port Arthur or Vancouver; 60 cents per bushel for 2 C.W. oats, basis in store Fort William-Port Arthur; 96 cents per bushel for 3 C.W. six-row barley, basis in store Fort William-Port Arthur. These are the same levels as for these grades during the crop year which is now drawing to a close. Initial prices for other grades of western wheat, oats and barley will be announced later by the Canadian Wheat Board. Although the government takes full responsibility for the level of initial prices, under the Canadian Wheat Board Act the Canadian Wheat Board was, as is customary, asked to make its recommendations which were in accord with the government's decision.

Before reaching its decision on initial prices and on other aspects of the government's program which I shall refer to later, the government made a careful reassessment of the rapidly changing grain situation, and consulted not only with the Canadian Wheat Board but with a number of farm leaders from the prairies. Taking into consideration the stocks on hand, the record grain crop that appears likely to be produced on the prairies this year, the uncertainties created by the results of the United States farm referendum, and the negotiations now going on in Geneva under the auspices of GATT for new international arrangements for the marketing of cereals, the government came to the view that the initial prices should remain unchanged for the coming year. The government shares the opinion of major farm organizations that efforts should be concentrated on moving as much grain as possible.

There are two sides to this matter of our wheat marketing, supply and demand. Taking one year with another and a variation in yields which must be expected, we should aim to avoid the production of unmanageable surpluses and through appropriate crop diversification be in a position to meet changing domestic and foreign demand for wheat, coarse grains and livestock. Our production policies, including the various programs affecting wheat and other grains, must be designed to achieve these objectives. The government has initiated a review of these policies and programs to determine in what way they might be adjusted to achieve a better balance in agricultural production and the avoidance of burdensome surpluses. For example, the government considers that we should be in a better position than we are at present to meet the expected increase in demand for livestock and feed grains. On the demand side, the government is making every effort to help the Wheat Board to increase to the maximum commercial sales in markets throughout the world, wherever they are to be found.

The government has decided that the time has come to move forward on another front which should prove of both short run and long run advantage to western wheat producers. To help meet the food needs of the developing countries, Canada for many years now has been making wheat and flour available as part of our Colombo plan assistance. I wish to announce at this time the intention of the government to ask parliament to provide for a program of supplying wheat or wheat flour to international agencies, including the world food program, and to developing countries which are now commercial markets or where commercial exports are limited by capacity to pay. Something can be done this year. The intention is on a progressive basis to increase the amount of Canadian food aid in appropriate relationship to the total of our assistance activities. It is expected that the total allocation for this purpose might rise to a level of around \$40 million per annum over the course of the next few years.

The actual amount of feed and flour to be made available for assistance purposes in the next crop year will depend on the needs of the world food program and the absorptive capacity of the developing countries we wish to assist. Safeguards will be introduced to ensure that the provision of additional Canadian wheat and flour does not interfere with the normal commercial marketings of Canada and other exporting countries whom we shall be consulting as appropriate. I am confident all members of the house will agree that food aid, in particular the provision of wheat and flour which we are so well placed to produce, should be a continuing and important part of our external development assistance programs as long as the need for food exists.

This enlarged program of food aid, in combination with the efforts that are being made to maintain and increase commercial sales, to gain access to import markets and to stabilize international trade at reasonable prices, seems to the government to represent the right approach to the problems that confront western grain producers under present circumstances. I feel confident it is an approach that will commend itself to western producers and to hon, members on all sides of the house."

Supply Position

Canadian Wheat Supplies

Item	1961-62 <u>1</u> /	1962-63 2/
	- millior	bushels -
Carryover at beginning of crop year (August 1) Production Imports of wheat for domestic use, August-June	607.8 283.4 <u>3</u> /	391.1 557.6 <u>4</u> /
Total estimated supplies	891.2	948.6
Less estimated domestic requirements for crop year	142.2	150.0
Available for export and for carryover	749.1	798.6
Exports of wheat in bulk, August-June 5/ Exports of bagged seed wheat, August-June 6/	303.7 3.3	279.2 4.4
Total exports of wheat as grain	307.0	283.7
Exports of wheat flour in terms of wheat, August- June 6/	29.2	25.5
Total exports of wheat and wheat flour	336.2	309.2
Balance on July 1 for export and for carryover	412.8	489.4

^{1/} Subject to revision.

^{2/} Preliminary. 3/ Less than 50,000 bushels.

^{4/} Not available.

^{5/} As reported by the Board of Grain Commissioners. (Includes overseas clearances and imports into the United States).

Customs returns, 1961-62 adjusted for time lag.

Total estimated supplies of wheat for the 1962-63 (August-July) crop year are placed at 948.6 million bushels, 6 per cent greater than the 1961-62 total of 891.2 million, with a substantial decline in carryover stocks more than offset by a sharp increase in production. After deducting an estimated 150.0 million bushels for anticipated domestic requirements, supplies available for export and for carryover during 1962-63 amount to 798.6 million bushels, 7 per cent above the 749.1 million in 1961-62.

Exports of wheat and flour in terms of wheat during the August-June period of the 1962-63 crop year amounted to 309.2 million bushels compared with 336.2 million exported during the corresponding period of 1961-62 and the ten-year (1951-52-1960-61) average for the same months of 280.0 million bushels. The 1962-63 total consisted of 283.7 million bushels of wheat and 25.5 million of wheat flour equivalent. Corresponding totals for the same period of the preceding crop year were 307.0 million bushels of wheat and 29.2 million of flour equivalent. The balance remaining on July 1, 1963 for export and for carryover amounted to 489.4 million bushels, 19 per cent more than the July 1, 1962 total of 412.8 million.

Farmers' marketings of wheat, (both east and west) up to July 24, of the 1962-63 crop year amounted to 443.0 million bushels in contrast to last year's corresponding total of 282.0 million. Quality of this year's deliveries, although falling below last year's unusually high levels, has remained generally good. Wheat inspected by the Board of Grain Commissioners during the first eleven months of the current crop year indicates that some 77 per cent of inspected deliveries were recorded in the grades No. 4 Northern and higher as against the comparable 1961-62 figure of 93 per cent but still above the crop year average of 73 per cent for the five years 1956-57—1960-61. Some 70.6 million bushels of this year's total were delivered during the five weeks June 20 to July 24. During the same period volume of Canadian wheat entering domestic and export channels amounted to about 31.2 million bushels. As a result, the total visible supply of Canadian wheat recorded a considerable increase, from 357.2 million bushels at June 19 to a level of 396.3 million at July 24, 1963.

The total visible supply of Canadian wheat at July 24 this year represented an increase of 28 per cent over the 1962 comparable total of 309.9 million but was 6 per cent less than the 1961 figure of 423.6 million. Stocks in country elevators amounted to 213.4 million bushels in contrast to 145.3 million in this position a year ago and compared with 236.7 million two years ago. This year's supplies in country elevators at July 24 accounted for 54 per cent of the total visible wheat supply compared with the 1962 and 1961 corresponding percentages of 47 per cent and 56 per cent, respectively. Interior terminal stocks, at 5.4 million bushels were sharply below both the 1962 figure of 8.3 million and the 1961 total of 11.0 million. The 21.3 million bushels "in transit rail" (Western Division) represented an increase of 49 per cent over the 1962 total of 14.3 million and exceeded by 5 per cent the 1961 figure of 20.4 million. Supplies at the Canadian Lakehead, at July 24 this year, amounted to 52.9 million bushels, compared with last year's comparable total of 61.1 million and the 53.6 million bushels in this position two years ago. The 5.4 million bushels "in transit lake" were above the 3.4 million of a year ago but below the 1961 total of 7.1 million. Supplies in Bay, Lake and Upper St. Lawrence ports, at 36.9 million bushels, were 32 per cent above the 27.9 million at July 25 1962 but 9 per cent below the 40.6 million at July 26, 1961. The 33.0 million bushels in Lower St. Lawrence and Maritime ports were 21 per cent and 7 per cent, respectively, above the 27.2 million of a year ago and the 30.9 million of two years ago. On the west coast, total supplies in Vancouver-New Westminster, Victoria and Prince Rupert at July 24, 1963, at 15.0 million bushels, exceeded both the previous years' corresponding totals of 11.8 million and the 12.5 million bushels in 1961.

Wheat and Flour Total 27.2 Million Bushels

June 1963 Exports of Combined exports of wheat in bulk, bagged seed wheat and wheat flour in terms of grain equivalent during June 1963 amounted to 27.2 million bushels, 5 per cent more than the June 1962 total of 26.0 million, but below both the 38.2

million of last month and the ten-year average (1952-61) for the month of June of 33.2 million. Exports of wheat in bulk (as reported by the Board of Grain Commissioners) during June 1963, at 24.5 million bushels represented an increase of 4 per cent over the 23.6 million of last year, but registered declines from the 35.4 million of May 1963 and the June ten-year average of 29.6 million. Exports of bagged seed wheat during June 1963, based on Canadian Customs returns, amounted to only 500 bushels, in contrast to the 68 thousand of the previous month and the June 1962 total (adjusted to remove time lag) of 5 thousand bushels. Customs returns also indicate that the equivalent of 2.7 million bushels of wheat was exported in the form of flour during June 1963, 10 per cent above the 2.5 million, adjusted for time lag, of a year ago but below the previous month's figure of 2.8 million.

Cumulative exports of wheat in bulk during the August 1962-June 1963 period amounted to 279.2 million bushels compared with the 1961-62 total of 303.7 million and about 17 per cent more than the ten-year (1951-52-1960-61) average for the period of 238.8 million bushels. Britain, remaining in its position as Canada's leading market for wheat, received shipments amounting to 71.6 million bushels and representing 26 per cent of the eleven-month total. During the August-June period of 1961-62 shipments of wheat to Britain amounted to 68.6 million bushels and accounted for 23 per cent of the total. Other principal markets for Canadian wheat in bulk during the first eleven 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: China Communist, 56.0 (66.3); Japan, 41.2 (43.9); Federal Republic of Germany, 26.4 (43.2); Poland, 14.2 (12.3); Belgium and Luxembourg, 9.1 (10.9); Republic of South Africa, 7.5 (nil); Venezuela, 6.4 (3.9); the Philippines, 5.9 (3.4) and France, 5.8 (1.0). Cumulative exports of bagged seed wheat during August-June of the 1962-63 crop year, basis Canadian Customs returns, amounted to 4.4 million bushels, 35 per cent above last year's revised total of 3.3 million.

Cumulative exports of wheat flour during August-June of the 1962-63 crop year, based on Customs returns, were the equivalent of 25.5 million bushels of wheat, as against the adjusted August 1961-June 1962 total of 29.2 million bushels. As with bulk wheat, Britain was also the major market for Canadian wheat flour. Shipments of wheat flour to that country during the period under review amounted to the equivalent of 11.1 million bushels and accounted for 43 per cent of the August 1962-June 1963 total. During the same months of 1961-62 shipments of wheat flour to Britain also amounted to the equivalent of 11.1 million bushels and represented 38 per cent of the total. Other leading markets for Canadian wheat flour in terms of grain equivalent during the August-June period of the 1962-63 crop year, with revised data for the same months of the preceding crop year in brackets, were as follows, in thousands of bushels: Ghana, 1,804 (1,884); United States, 1,265 (1,256); Trinidad and Tobago, 1,261 (1,248); Jamaica, 1,234 (1,348); Leeward and Windward Islands, 896 (943); Costa Rica, 829 (737); Hong Kong, 827 (825); Nigeria, 693 (1,595); Malaya and Singapore, 593 (601); and Sierra Leone, 544 (464).

Long-Term Wheat

The following is part of the text of a statement made in the Agreement with China House of Commons on August 2, 1963 by The Honourable Mitchell Sharp, Minister of Trade and Commerce: "I am pleased to

advise the House that the Canadian Wheat Board will be making the following announcement today regarding a new long term Wheat Agreement with the China National Cereals, Oils and Foodstuffs Import and Export Corporation - 'The Canadian Wheat Board is pleased to announce the conclusion of a Long Term Agreement with the China National Cereals, Oils and Foodstuffs Import and Export Corporation. This Agreement is

similar in form to the agreement signed on April 22, 1961, that is, under the Agreement, the Chinese Corporation has declared its intention to purchase from Canada 3 to 5 million long tons (112.0 to 186.7 million bushels) of wheat over a three-year period, August 1, 1963 to July 31, 1966. The Canadian Wheat Board has undertaken to make such supplies available to the Chinese corporation concerned, with specific quantities, prices and shipping periods to be negotiated periodically.

'The terms of payment for sales under the Long Term Agreement are 25 per cent cash when each vessel is loaded and the balance of 75 per cent in 18 months, with interest. The deferred payment provision is made possible by a guarantee to the Canadian Wheat Board by the Government of Canada.

'The first sales contract under the Long Term Agreement has been negotiated and provides for the export to China of 500,000 long tons of wheat from Pacific Coast Ports during the period August 1, 1963 to January 31, 1964."

At the close of the 1962-63 crop year, the Canadian Wheat

Board had, with the exception of 3 points in Saskatchewan and
4 points in Alberta, placed all operating shipping points in
the Western Division on a delivery quota of 12 bushels per specified acre. Twentytwo stations were reported as "closed".

Summary of Elevator Shipping Points in the Western Division as at July 31, 1963

Province	•	ota in Bushels	Closed	Total
	Ten			
Ontario		1	1	2
Manitoba		345	2	347
Saskatchewan	3	1,039	12	1,054
Alberta	4	523	7	534
British Columbia		5	-	5
All Provinces	7	1,913	22	1,942

Delivery Quota
Policy 1963-64

(General) No. 3 under date of July 26, 1963 announced in part that the Board wishes to advise that all delivery quotas in effect in the 1962-63 crop year, including open quotas, special permits, etc., will automatically expire as at the close of business July 31, 1963.

Effective on and after August 1, 1963, the quota policy for the Board for the 1963-64 crop year will be as follows:

Durum Wheat In accordance with Instructions to the Trade re Quotas (General) No. 23 of April 10, 1963, Durum Wheat will be included and become part of the producer's specified acreage for quota purposes.

Flaxseed Effective August 1, at all delivery points within the designated area a quota of five (5) bushels per seeded acre to flaxseed as shown in the individual producer's permit book or 200 bushels, whichever is the larger.

All deliveries made under this quota must be properly recorded in the producer's permit book on one of the pages provided for deliveries made under seeded acreages and as in the previous crop year, producers may deliver flaxseed within existing quotas to any delivery point selected by them at which elevator space for flaxseed is available.

Rapeseed Effective August 1, at all delivery points within the designated area a quota of seven (7) bushels per seeded acre to rapeseed as shown in the individual producer's permit book or 300 bushels, whichever is the larger.

All deliveries made under this quota must be properly recorded in the producer's permit book on one of the pages provided for deliveries made under seeded acreages and as in the previous crop year, producers may deliver rapeseed within existing quotas to any delivery point selected by them at which elevator space for rapeseed is available.

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

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

Full details under the foregoing provisions have been announced in Instructions to the Trade re Quotas (General) No. 2 of July 26, 1963.

Initial Delivery Quota 1963-64 Crop Year - Wheat, (including Durum), Oats, Barley, and Rye Effective at all delivery points on and after August 1, 1963, the following initial quota is hereby authorized in respect of the above grains:

An initial delivery quota applicable to all permit holders regardless of the acreage shown on their 1963 permit books of the equivalent of one hundred (100) units. Each such unit shall be the equivalent of three (3) bushels of Wheat or eight (8) bushels of Oats or five (5) bushels of Barley or five (5) bushels of Rye.

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

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

All deliveries to be made under the initial quota must be entered in the producer's delivery permit book at the time of delivery. Such entries are to be made commencing on Page 1, with the quantity being entered in the appropriate column for the kind of grain delivered. The unit value of the delivery is to be determined by dividing the bushel quantity by three (3) in the case of Wheat, or

eight (8) in the case of Oats, or five (5) in the case of Barley and Rye, calculating same to one decimal point. The total units delivered, as determined above, should then be entered in the "Total Delivery" column. For example, a load of 151.4 bushels would be entered as 50.4 units in the case of Wheat, 18.8 units in the case of Oats or 30.2 units if it consisted of Barley or Rye.

General Delivery Quotas 1963-64 Crop Year Following the initial quota, the Board will again establish general quotas at individual delivery points, based upon bushels per "specified" acre. The "specified" acreage upon which general delivery quotas will be based will consist of the total of each permit holder's acreage seeded to wheat (including Durum), oats, barley and rye, summerfallow, and the eligible acreage seeded to cultivated grasses and forage crops.

Comment

The Canadian Wheat Board Act provides that:

- (a) the person delivering the grain is the actual producer or is entitled as a producer to the grain.
- (b) the grain was produced on the lands described in the permit book.

It will be noted that the initial quota and later general quotas as provided in 1962-63 will be again effective in 1963-64. It is expected that the past experience of producers and elevator agents, especially in regard to the initial quota, will be helpful in the administration of delivery quotas during the present crop year and that the available storage space will be handled this Fall and throughout the crop year in the best interests of all concerned.

Preliminary Estimates of Specified Crop and Summerfallow Acreages, 1963 The acreage estimates for 1963 are based on returns from the Dominion Bureau of Statistics' annual June survey of seeded acreages and have been made in consultation with the officials responsible for

agricultural statistics in each of the provinces. As in former years, current estimates are subject to revision in the light of further information received during the season and when marketing and other check data become available after the end of the crop year.

Preliminary Estimates of Crop and Summerfallow Acreages, 1963 with Comparisons - Canada

Crops	1962 1/	1963	1963 as % of 1962
	- ac	res •	%
Winter wheat	450,000	442,000	98
Spring wheat 2/	26,366,900	27,124,200	103
All wheat	26,816,900	27,566,200	103
Oats for grain 3/	11,998,100	10,612,800	88
Barley	5,287,100	6,160,100	117
Fall rye 4/	527,200	552,800	105
Spring rye	97,300	98,800	102
All rye	624,500	651,600	104
Flaxseed	1,445,000	1,685,400	117
Rapeseed	371,200	483,500	130
Summerfallow	27,495,000	27,211,000	99

^{1/} Revised. 2/ Includes relatively small acreages of winter wheat in all provinces other than Ontario. 3/ Includes oats for grain and for hay in the Prairie Provinces. 4/ Includes small acreages of spring rye in Quebec, Ontario and British Columbia.

Total wheat acreage in Canada in 1963, estimated at 27.6 million acres, is 3 per cent larger than last year's 26.8 million, and is 14 per cent above the ten-year (1951-60) average of 24.2 million acres. This total is second only to the record 28.7 million acres seeded in 1940. In the Prairie Provinces, where most of Canada's wheat is grown, acreage is estimated at 27.0 million, an increase of 3 per cent over last year's 26.2 million and 15 per cent above the ten-year average of 23.4 million.

Preliminary estimates of <u>durum</u> wheat acreage in the Prairie Provinces at 2.2 million acres indicate a 37 per cent decrease in acreage this year compared with 1962.

Preliminary Estimate of <u>Durum Wheat</u> Acreages, 1963 with Comparisons - Prairie Provinces

1962 1/	1963	1963 as % of 1962
- ac	res -	%
161,000	140,000	87
2,897,000	1,796,000	62
371,000	234,000	63
3,429,000	2,170,000	63
	- ac 161,000 2,897,000 371,000	- acres - 161,000

1/ Revised.

The area seeded to oats in Canada in 1963 is estimated at 10.6 million acres, some 12 per cent smaller than that of 1962 and 5 per cent smaller than the ten-year average area of 11.1 million acres. In the Prairie Provinces the oats acreage, at 7.4 million acres, is 14 per cent smaller than that of 1962, with decreases occurring in all three provinces. Canadian barley acreage for 1963 at 6.2 million acres increased 17 per cent from the 1962 level of 5.3 million but is still 27 per cent below the ten-year average of 8.5 million. Barley acreage in the Prairies is placed at 5.9 million, up 16 per cent from the 1962 level.

Rye acreage at 651,600 is 4 per cent above the 1962 level but 20 per cent below the ten-year (1951-60) average. Fall seedings of rye were up 5 per cent, and spring rye increased by 2 per cent. The greater part of Canada's rye is grown in the Prairie Provinces where the 1963 acreage is estimated at 582,800 acres as against 556,300 acres in 1962.

Preliminary Estimates of Crop and Summerfallow Acreages, 1963 with Comparisons - Prairie Provinces

Crops	1962 1/	1963	1963 as % of 1962
	- ac	res -	%
Spring wheat (including durum)	26,237,000	26,996,000	103
Oats (including oats for hay)	8,559,000	7,385,000	86
Barley	5,097,000	5,922,000	116
Fall rye	459,000	484,000	105
Spring rye	97,300	98,800	102
All rye	556,300	582,800	105
Flaxseed	1,396,000	1,629,000	117
Rapeseed	371,200	483,500	130
Summerfallow	27,495,000	27,211,000	99

Following last year's decline in acreage, flaxseed plantings increased in 1963. This year 1.7 million acres were sown to flax in Canada, an increase of 17 per cent over the 1962 level of 1.4 million acres. The 1963 acreage, however, is 15 per cent smaller than the 1951-60 average of 2.0 million. Commercial rapeseed production is carried on only in the Prairie Provinces where in 1963 an estimated 483,500 acres were seeded to this crop. An acreage of this size represents an increase of 30 per cent from last year's seedings of 371,200 acres.

Summerfallow acreage in the Prairie Provinces in 1963 is estimated at 27.2 million acres, a decrease of one per cent from last year's 27.5 million acres but 11 per cent larger than the 1951-60 average of 24.5 million acres.

Lake Shipments of Canadian Grain

Total shipments of the five major grains out of Lakehead terminals from the opening of navigation to July 24 this year amounted to 114.7 million bushels, 35 per

cent greater than the 84.9 million during the comparable period of 1962. In 1963 the season of navigation opened on April 19 while the 1962 season opened on April 22. Shipments of wheat, at 81.0 million bushels accounted for 71 per cent of the current total. Shipments of wheat, oats and rye were above last year's corresponding levels, while those for barley and flaxseed were lower.

Lake Shipments of Canadian Grain from the Opening of Navigation to July 24, 1963 and to Approximately the Same Date 1953 to 1962

Year	Wheat	Oats	Barley	Rye	Flaxseed	Total
Adjust Montage like	THE BUTTE		- thousand	bushels -		
1953	130,207	36,650	52,797	5,787	2,408	227,849
1954	56,476	26,630	27,795	4,127	1,765	116,793
1955	79,727	15,449	31,037	6,214	2,884	135,311
1956	122,759	17,037	38,932	8,448	2,536	189,713
1957	86,178	19,264	22,115	3,703	5,815	137,074
958	108,202	21,866	39,259	4,157	2,653	176,137
1959	84,834	11,506	20,500	2,066	2,627	121,531
1960	90,846	9,109	22,395	2,301	3,176	127,827
1961	127,771	13,548	21,431	1,388	3,076	167,214
.962	62,620	7,025	11,141	1,176	2,942	84,904
L963	80,953	19,329	10,077	1,485	2,839	114,683

Wheat Sale to Poland

On July 18, 1963 the Canadian Wheat Board announced that a contract has been negotiated for the sale of approximately 100,000 metric tons of wheat for shipment

to Poland. This sale totalling about 3.7 million bushels is for shipment from St. Lawrence and Pacific coast ports during the period August to November 1963.

Payment for the wheat is to be made on the basis of 10 per cent at time of shipment with the remaining balance to be paid in equal instalments plus interest at 2, 2 1/2, and 3 years, respectively. These credit arrangements were authorized by the Government of Canada under the provisions of the Export Credits Insurance Act.

This is the third sale made to Poland during the current crop year - previous contracts having been negotiated on August 29, 1962 and October 1, 1962 for approximately 300,000 and 80,000 metric tons, respectively.

Week Endin	ıg	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	Total	Last Year 2
				- bushels -		
August	8. 1962	14,548	7,645	42,489	64,682	424,84
ingase.	15	1,778	38,975	176,287	217,040	682,03
	22	38,237	592,588	584,243		
	29	426,174	1,911,503	1,468,566	1,215,068 3,806,243	5,298,80
	27	420,174		1,400,500	5,000,245	9,124,00
September	5	757,304	3,085,240	1,211,254	5,053,798	6,274,07
	12	1,742,316	6,416,266	1,870,574	10,029,156	7,783,750
	19	1,699,681	8,177,978	1,709,135	11,586,794	6,733,72
	26	2,359,440	10,406,284	4,587,559	17,353,283	7,697,86
October	3	2,522,313	13,068,961	5,556,144	21,147,418	8,356,339
oc cooci	10	1,585,234	12,747,546	4,121,329	18,454,109	7,025,43
	17	1,117,194	7,344,064	3,084,468	11,545,726	7,516,87
	24					
	31	1,177,866 1,370,408	7,435,220 6,674,985	2,545,531 2,270,438	11,158,617 10,315,831	7,143,46
	24		0,074,503	2,270,430	10,515,651	6,863,49
Vovember	7	1,514,458	6,123,753	2,618,264	10,256,475	5,637,820
	14	1,629,145	5,879,142	1,928,069	9,436,356	7,094,99
	21	1,669,582	6,738,169	1,957,899	10,365,650	6,604,43
	28	1,783,131	7,723,197	1,816,305	11,322,633	5,789,90
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ecember	5	1,282,296	7,478,541	1,868,468	10,629,305	3,687,34 5,480,24
	19	1,499,357	7,709,086	1,926,894	11,135,337	
		2,183,481	8,514,663	2,732,106	13,430,250	3,635,15
	26	2,048,763	9,012,883	2,580,076	13,641,722	2,955,22
anuary	2, 1963	672,092	5,572,797	2,134,963	8,379,852	4,473,69
	9	1,573,326	2,662,279	2,291,794	6,527,399	11,340,07
	16	511,792	6,416,935	1,902,677	8,831,404	6,770,99
	23	253,560	2,018,232	1,473,736	3,745,528	2,292,05
	30	391,919	871,723	566,338	1,829,980	5,413,30
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ebruary	6	987,378	3,454,795	1,056,130	5,498,303	5,265,11
	13	1,419,331	7,027,411	2,351,424	10,798,166	3,433,24
	20	739,654	4,537,612	2,881,336	8,158,602	4,301,43
	27	368,030	1,980,051	1,950,601	4,298,682	1,861,40
larch	6	757,059	3,457,719	1,656,138	5,870,916	534,65
	13	653,438	3,536,306	2,016,221	6,205,965	2,609,29
	20	491,482	2,753,143	1,957,599	5,202,224	4,310,86
	27	770,903	3,273,586	1,693,218	5,737,707	3,706,56
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pril	3	742,635	2,600,145	994,011	4,336,791	3,298,09
	10	623,515	4,354,381	1,069,585	6,047,481	2,634,70
	17	718,424	2,409,799	446,697	3,574,920	3,631,44
	24	522,989	3,643,640	520,099	4,686,728	4,784,55
ay	1	926,348	5,901,950	1,070,077	7,898,375	6,898,94
	8	807,021	3,830,290	927,245	5,564,556	4,370,35
	15	643,266	2,369,468	793,467	3,806,201	2,902,94
	22	691,799	2,116,103	594,063	3,401,965	2,105,65
	29	773,051	4,100,176	838,207	5,711,434	3,877,84
une	5	1,051,824	6,423,260	1,212,399	8,687,483	4,543,27
	12	1,696,397	4,975,371	1,749,382	8,421,150	5,703,97
	19	2,452,068	10,812,126	1,548,306	14,812,500	6,507,73
	26	2,041,401	8,913,834	1,538,657	12,493,892	8,275,40
uly	3	2,267,297	8,605,645	1,924,722	12,797,664	8,271,81
,	10	1,422,730	12,514,687	1,811,238	15,748,655	9,126,72
	17	1,585,755	9,860,768	1,842,964	13,289,487	8,217,35
	24	1,887,641	11,535,865	2,752,282	16,175,788	12,678,88
		2,007,072	,555,505	-3.0-3.0-0	,,	, _, _, _,
Total	.S	58,866,831	289,616,786	92,221,674	440,705,291	275,952,26
-	milar period:	38,050,203	227,963,432	96,458,806	362,472,442	

^{1/} Includes receipts at country, interior private and mill elevators, interior semi-public terminals and platform loadings. 2/ Revised.

Visible Supply of Canadian Wheat July 24, 1963 Compared with Approximately the Same Date 1961 and 1962

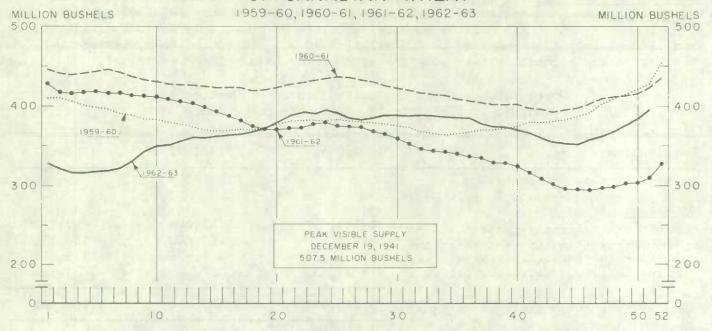
Position	1961	1962	1963
	- t	housand bushels	-
Country elevators - Manitoba Saskatchewan Alberta	25,830 140,939 69,925	16,064 85,516 43,707	23,871 126,803 62,731
Totals	236,694	145,287	213,406
Interior private and mill	6,718 11,038 11,767 760 4,113 53,574 20,369 40,572 30,857 7,051	5,961 8,294 10,788 970 - 4,829 61,089 14,289 27,869 27,197 3,361	7,707 5,437 13,369 935 693 4,857 52,944 21,348 36,896 32,997 5,397 294
In transit rail (Eastern Division) Totals	423,591	309,934	396,281

Grading of Wheat Inspected, August 1962-June 1963 with Comparisons

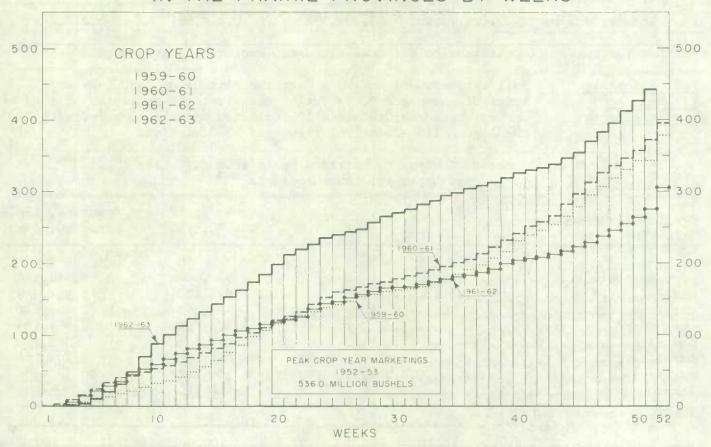
		Year		August	- June	
Grade	Average 1956-57 1960-61	1961-62	19	61-62	19	62-63
I	per cent	per cent	cars	per cent	cars	per cent
No. 1 Hard		1/	64	1/	66	1/
No. 1 Man. Northern	1.3	20.8	37,159	19.3	23,581	12.6
No. 2 Man. Northern	29.2	52.8	103,720	53.7	71,712	38.4
No. 3 Man. Northern	28.3	15.7	30,844	16.0	27,807	14.9
No. 4 Man. Northern	14.0_	3.4	6,916	3.6	21,243	11.4
No. 5 Wheat	8.3	0.7	1,417	0.7	10,580	5.7
No. 6 Wheat	1.9	0.2	384	0.2	1,676	0.9
Feed Wheat	0.1	1/	8	1/	17	1/
Others Red Spring	10.0	3.4	6,695	3.5	13,541	7.3
C.W. Garnet	1/	0.2	436	0.2	120	0.1
C.W. White Spring	0.1	0.1	149	0.1	215	0.1
C.W. Mixed Wheat	1/	1/	59	1/	61	1/
Alberta Winter	0.3	0.3	706	0.4	431	0.2
Nos. 1-6 C.W. Amber Durum	6.3	2.3	4,337	2.2	14,831	7.9
Others C.W. Amber Durum	0.2	1/	93	1/	860	0.5
Totals	100.0	100.0	192,987	100.0	186,741	100.0
Gross bushels (approx.)			371	,625,000	35	8,616,000

^{1/} Less than .05 per cent.

WEEKLY VISIBLE SUPPLY OF CANADIAN WHEAT



CUMULATIVE RECORD OF WHEAT MARKETINGS IN THE PRAIRIE PROVINCES BY WEEKS



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 July 24, 1963 amounted to 1.3 million bushels. During the comparable periods of 1961-62

and 1960-61 shipments amounted to 2.3 million and 3.3 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, 1962-July 24, 1963 with Comparisons

Destination	1960-61	1961-62	1962-63
		- bushels -	
By Vessel			
Buffalo	2,099,607	1,582,086	897,127
Chicago	325,890	160,000	84,750
Duluth-Superior	619,658	420,978	115,208
Milwaukee	81,537		
Totals, Vessel	3,126,692	2,163,064	1,097,085
By Rail			
U.S.A. Domestic Points	203,900	104,957	161,212
Totals, Shipments	3,330,592	2,268,021	1,258,297

*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 eleven months of the current crop year totalled 17.1 million bushels compared with the August 1961-June 1962 figure of 17.0 million.

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

Origin of Shipments	August 1, 1961- June 30, 1962	August 1, 1962 June 30, 1963
	- bus	hels -
Port McNicoll	4,910,364	6,452,124
Midland, Tiffin	6,089,433	5,957,659
Collingwood	405,993	464,910
Owen Sound	2,228,068	2,069,103
Goderich	474,656	333,210
Sarnia	1,288,279	1,788,756
Lakefield	1,109,181	
Peterborough	480,193	
Totals	16,986,167	17,065,762

Rail Shipments of Wheat from Fort William-Port Arthur, 1959-60--1962-63

Month	1959-60	1960-61	1961-62	1962-63		
	- bushels -					
August	34,383	14,717	20,648	13,933		
September	31,690	19,227	14,598	11,657		
October	30,904	5,417	33,944	22,716		
November	8,383	24,000	22,915	12,024		
December	25,355	17,500	60,167	12,778		
January	103,087	71,335	126,533	39,534		
February	23,878	135,339	68,421	22,967		
farch	18,826	28,073	37,000	86,398		
April	64,156	9,833	37,777	69,067		
1ay	19,513	15,805	11,203	11,851 1/		
June	25,234	17,563	16,022	15,746		
July	26,803	10,940	17,315			
Totals	412,212	369,749	466,543			

1/ Revised.

Distribution of Rail Shipments of Wheat from Fort William-Port Arthur, June 1963

Grade	Nova Scotia	Quebec	Ontario
5 Wheat		2,833 6,000	2,833
OurumOthers	1,971	1,514	595
Totals	1,971	10,347	3,428

Overseas Exports of Canadian Grain by Ports of Loading, August 1, 1962-July 24, 1963 with Comparisons

Port	Wheat 1/	Durum Wheat 1/	0ats <u>1</u> /	Barley	Rye	Flaxseed R	apeseed <u>2</u> /
				- bushels -		The state of the	
Pacific Seaboard VanNew West Victoria Prince Rupert	6,221,796	-	9,017,481	4,983,231	X = -	4,636,744	5,436,019
Churchill	20,577,620			-			_
Lakehead Direct	5,631,867	1,882,952	6,512,577	1,591,527	2,734,413	1,434,849	~
Kingston Direct	956,099	-			-		-
St. Lawrence Montreal Sorel Three Rivers Quebec Baie Comeau	15,959,946 10,539,919 8,124,731	9,872,701 2,982,290 2,024,967 359,408	_	1,057,942	-	4,567,308 293,284 102,166 98,407 38,015	
Maritimes Saint John West Saint John Halifax	7,118,103	1,608,100 780,928	336,751	96,858 70,316		40,978 506,113 50,473	-
United States Ports	-	-	-	-	366,342		-
Totals	273,683,181	19,511,346	18,089,108	8,097,538	6,508,970	11,768,337	5,436,019
Aug.1/61-July 25/62	311,180,797	6,826,215	1,727,983	26,885,526	4,153,402	11,846,145	6,733,958

^{1/} Excluding bagged seed. 2/ In bushels of 50 pounds.

Claims filed for payment up to June 30, 1963 represent the movement of some 8.3 million

Assistance
Shipments

During the same months of the 1961-62 crop year claims had been filed for a total of 10.7

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 1962-63 August-May shipments of wheat under the policy were running about 22 per cent below those of 1961-62. Revised data on the 1961-62 August-May shipments of wheat based on claims submitted up to June 30, 1963 place the ten-month total at 11.0 million bushels. The bulk of the shipments during the current ten-month period under review went

Provincial Distribution of Wheat Shipments under the Freight Assistance Policy
August-May 1962-63 and 1961-62

to destinations in Quebec and Ontario, with these two provinces accounting for 41 per cent and 32 per

Month	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	B.C.	Total
			-	thousand	bushels			
August, 1962	10	13	48	29	381	354	84	919
September	7	7	29	21	335	234	200	833
October	9	10	43	25	361	239	149	837
November	12	7	41	20	402	295	142	919
December	8	6	47	23	309	270	124	787
January, 1963	11	7	66	30	382	291	199	984
February	5	6	59	28	232	241	144	716
March	5	8	59	23	302	257	122	775
April	5	4	62	27	230	236	111	675
May	2	8	51	28	444	259	47	840
Totals <u>1</u> /	74	75	504	255	3,379	2,676	1,322	8,285
Same period 1961-62:								
Preliminary 2/	83	114	1,001	323	3,959	3,490	1,702	10,671
Revised 1/	92	117	1,015	349	4,013	3,563	1,808	10,958

Preliminary data on millfeed shipments under the freight assistance policy indicate shipments of 379,292 tons during the August-May period of the current crop year. During the same ten months of 1961-62 claims had been filed for a total of 429,323 tons, indicating on the assumption of approximately the same rate of submission of claims during both the current and preceding crop years that the 1962-63 August-May shipments of millfeeds under the policy were running about 12 per cent below those of 1961-62. Revised data on the 1961-62 August-May shipments of millfeeds based on claims submitted up to June 30, 1963 place the ten-month total at 455,714 tons. As with freight-assisted shipments of wheat, the greater portion of the millfeed shipments during the period under review went to destinations in Quebec and Ontario.

Provincial Distribution of Millfeed Shipments under the Freight Assistance Policy August-May 1962-63 and 1961-62

	196	1962-63	
Province	Preliminary 2/	Revised 1/	Preliminary 1/
		- tons -	Ten Ukana jing h
Newfoundland	4,618	5,471	5,317
Prince Edward Island	7,250	7,771	6,150
Nova Scotia	30,367	32,178	26,789
New Brunswick	24,781	28,972	23,402
Quebec	211,201	219,783	189,753
Ontario	115,572	121,956	101,522
British Columbia	35,534	39,583	26,359
Totals	429,323	455,714	379,292

^{1/} Based on claims filed up to June 30, 1963.

cent of the total, respectively.

^{2/} Based on claims filed up to June 30, 1962.

Monthly Exports of Canadian Wheat and Wheat Flour

	Monthly Exports of	Canadian whea	c and wheat I	Tour	
Year	Wheat	Bagged	Total	Wheat	Total 3/
and	in Bulk 1/	Seed	Wheat	Flour 2/	Wheat and
Month	III DULK 1	Wheat 2/			Wheat Flour
1960-61		- t	housand bushe	els -	
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		599	31,994	3,009	35,003
May	10 000	135	42,325	3,166	45,491
June		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
1961-62					
August	35,625	89	35,714	3,123	38,837
September		242	29,209	2,786	31,995
October		86	32,996	2,391	35,386
November		377	41,200	3,150	44,351
December		392	20,359	2,643	23,002
January		458	17,992	2,304	20,295
February		433	24,173	2,546	26,719
March		574	21,056	2,968	24,023
April		539	25,520	2,389	27,909
May		77	35,227	2,486	37,713
June		5	23,564	2,456	26,020
July		44	19,060	2,711	21,772
July 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8	27,020		27,000	-,/	,//-
Totals	3 22,752	3,317	326,069	31,953	358,022
1962-63 4/					
August	21,944	160	22,105	2,670	24,775
September		228	25,268	2,939	28,207
October		20	29,725	2,451	32,176
November	33,309	103	33,412	2,158	35,570
December		340	21,289	1,771	23,059
January	21,486	520	22,006	2,234	24,240
February	18,779	590	19,370	1,420	20,789
March		1,088	20,334	1,939	22,273
April		1,316	30,232	2,441	32,673
May		68	35,423	2,827	38,250
June		1	24,513	2,693	27,206
Totals	279,241	4,434	283,675	25,543	309,218
1/5	1 1 1				

^{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, 1960-61 and 1961-62 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/ Preliminary.

Exports of Canadian Wheat 1/2 by Destination, June 1963 and 1962

Destination	Wheat	Durum		Wheat
	(Except Durum)	Wheat	June 1963	June 196
OMMONWEALTH AND PREFERENTIAL COUNTRIES		- bush	els -	
Western Europe				
Britain	7,807,924		7,807,924	6,050,720
Ireland	269,285	1000	269,285	283,982
Malta and Gozo	224,000	110 35 3	224,000	205,702
Malta and Gozo	224,000		224,000	
Other Africa				
Republic of South Africa	1,035,253	-	1,035,253	-
Other Asia				
Hong Kong	90,533	-	90,533	17,733
Pakistan	13,344	_	13,344	~
Central America and Antilles	40		40	44.35
Barbados				200
Jamaica	1,194	-	1,194	399
Totals, Com. and Pref. Countries	9,441,573	-	9,441,573	6,352,834
THER COUNTRIES				
Western Europe				
Austria	_	141,470	141,470	71,075
Belgium and Luxembourg	843,408	26,506	869,914	748,517
Denmark	11,424	20,500	11,424	, 10,32,
Finland	355,480		355,480	602,733
		110 667		002,733
France	24,453	410,667	435,120	0 /0/ //7
Germany, Federal Republic	1,457,715	-	1,457,715	2,494,447
Italy	381,928		381,928	625,585
Netherlands	200,000	66.	200,000	113,229
Norway	149,516	-	149,516	
Sweden	-	-	-	12,320
Switzerland	73,727	35,299	109,026	2,384,585
Fostone France				
Eastern Europe Albania				366,240
				300,240
Middle East				
Israel	504,129	-	504,129	
Saudí Arabia		-		152,297
Other Africa				
Mozambique	4,475	-	4,475	22,250
Othor Ania				
Other Asia				21,620
Burma	F 160 006	AREA THEN	5 160 906	
China, Communist	5,169,896		5,169,896	6,364,231
Japan	3,556,420	0.5 5 0.0	3,556,420	1,932,597
Philippines	875,093	-	875,093	588,859
Taiwan		-	-	19,290
<u>Oceania</u>				
United States Oceania	35,915	-	35,915	pa
South America				
Ecuador	38,583	-	38,583	93,333
Peru	153,440	- 33	153,440	100
Venezuela	568,922	- 37	568,922	370,160
Central America and Antilles				
Dominican Republic			LE BULL TO	201,161
Guatemala	23,333		23,333	16,568
North America United States				
for domestic use $2/\dots$	28,833		28,833	5,565
	14,456,690	613,942	15,070,632	17,206,662
Totals, Other Countries				
Sub-Totals, All Countries	23,898,263	613,942	24,512,205	23,559,496
Bagged seed $3/\ldots$			508	4,951
Totals, All Countries	23,898,263	613,942	24,512,713	23,564,447

NOTE: See footnotes on page 20.

Cumulative Exports of Canadian Wheat $\underline{1}/$ by Destination

	Aug	Total		
estination	Wheat (Except Durum)	Durum Wheat	Total Wheat	same perio last yea
OMMONWEALTH AND PREFERENTIAL COUNTRIES				
Western Europe				
Britain Ireland Malta and Gozo	71,367,270* 2,965,107 1,094,987	245,130 7,467	71,612,400* 2,972,574 1,094,987	68,616,41 2,252,79 1,237,86
Other Africa				
Nigeria Republic of South Africa Rhodesia and Nyasaland	543,953 7,475,911* 8,244		543,953 7,475,911* 8,244	212,80 74,66
Other Asia				
Hong Kong India Pakistan	521,360 703,612 361,664		521,360 703,612 361,664	579,22 3,541,39 1,856,32
Central America and Antilles				
Barbados Jamaica	40 10,151	1	40 10,151	39
Totals, Com. and Pref. Countries	85,052,299*	252,597	85,304,896*	78,371,88
THER COUNTRIES				
Western Europe				
Austría Belgium and Luxembourg Denmark	871,919 8,739,428* 22,624	682,385 324,541*	1,554,304 9,063,969* 22,624	1,626,02
Finland	1,681,491	5 5/7 733	1,681,491	11,20 2,456,00
France Germany, Federal Republic Greece	1,681,491 203,157 16,478,461*	5,547,733 9,926,391* 10	1,681,491 5,750,890 26,404,852* 10	11,20 2,456,00 1,035,96 43,174,24
FranceGermany, Federal Republic	1,681,491 203,157	9,926,391*	1,681,491 5,750,890 26,404,852*	11,20 2,456,00 1,035,96
France	1,681,491 203,157 16,478,461* 4,668,754 4,416,541* 1,827,543 150,266*	9,926,391* 10 - - * 18,667	1,681,491 5,750,890 26,404,852* 10 4,668,754 4,416,541* 1,827,543 168,933*	11,20 2,456,00 1,035,96 43,174,24 3,878,03 3,363,09 1,728,86 12,32
France. Germany, Federal Republic Greece. Italy Netherlands Norway Sweden Switzerland.	1,681,491 203,157 16,478,461* 4,668,754 4,416,541* 1,827,543 150,266*	9,926,391* 10 - - * 18,667	1,681,491 5,750,890 26,404,852* 10 4,668,754 4,416,541* 1,827,543 168,933* 2,520,394*	11,20 2,456,00 1,035,96 43,174,24 3,878,03 3,363,09 1,728,86 12,32 7,610,03
France. Germany, Federal Republic. Greece. Italy. Netherlands. Norway. Sweden. Switzerland. Eastern Europe Albania. Czechoslovakia. Germany, East.	1,681,491 203,157 16,478,461* 4,668,754 4,416,541* 1,827,543 150,266* 962,965*	9,926,391* 10 - - * 18,667	1,681,491 5,750,890 26,404,852* 10 4,668,754 4,416,541* 1,827,543 168,933* 2,520,394*	11,20 2,456,00 1,035,96 43,174,24 3,878,03 3,363,09 1,728,86 12,32

Cumulative Exports of Canadian Wheat 1/ by Destination

	Aug	gust 1962-June	1963	Total
Destination	Wheat	Durum	Total	same period
	(Except Durum)	Wheat	Wheat	last year
		- bushe	ls -	
OTHER COUNTRIES (concluded)				
Other Africa Algeria				1,359,639
Congo-Leo			ALCOHOL: NO	18,25
Katanga	9,186		9,186	10,25
Mozambique	439,561*		439,561*	658,559
Tunisia	-		407,902	189,905
Other Asia				
Burma	-	-		221,978
China, Communist	55,954,379		55,954,379	66,287,694
Japan	41,201,667		41,201,667	43,934,996
Philippines	5,928,409		5,928,409	3,416,236
Taiwan	115,701		115,701	134,277
Oc eania				
United States Oceania	427,354	- 3	427,354	473,759
South America				
Colombia			•	264,550
Ecuador	1,141,308	-	1,141,308	1,112,945
Peru	535,174	-	535,174	-
Venezuela	6,355,268	one	6,355,268	3,916,007
Central America and Antilles				
Dominican Republic	959,778	-	959,778	1,490,978
El Salvador	579,677	-	579,677	296,548
Guatemala	255,000	1	255,000	36,568
North America				
United States				
for domestic use 2/	1,148,950		1,148,950	1,478,962
Totals, Other Countries	175,879,248*	18,057,156	193,936,404*	225,364,130
Sub-Totals, All Countries	260,931,547	18,309,753	279,241,300	303,736,015
Bagged seed 3/			4,433,614	3,272,309
Totals, All Countries	260,931,547	18,309,753	283,674,914	307,008,324

^{*} Revisions in May data have been taken into account in the August-June cumulative totals.

^{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.

^{3/} Compiled from Canadian Customs returns, 1961-62 adjusted for time lag.

Customs Exports of Canadian Wheat Flour by Countries of Consignment

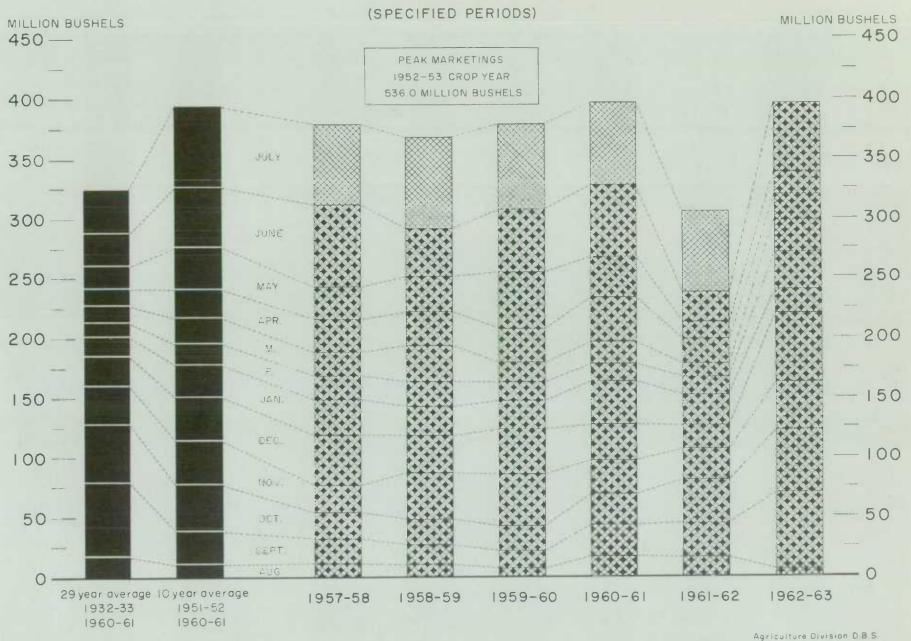
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Destination	March 1963 1/	June 1903 2	1962-63 2/	1961-62 1/	
		- bush	nels -		
COMMONWEALTH AND PREFERENTIAL COUNTRIES					
Western Europe	1 050 000	1 007 050	** ***	11 100 50/	
Britain	1,252,208	1,027,953	11,099,927	11,123,594	
Gibraltar	2.70		30,139	64,290	
Middle East					
Kuwait	9,446	2,063	64,605	24,730	
Qatar		-	2,107	1,842	
British Middle East, nes		2,061	23,699	32,434	
Other Africa					
Ghana	106,016	298,687	1,804,449	1,884,404	
Mauritius and Dependencies			460	-	
Nigeria	4,347	12,347	692,517	1,594,613	
Rhodesia and Nyasaland	5,573	2,902	37,122	26,779	
Sierra Leone	64,349	60,900	543,532	463,988	
Tanganyika	2,300	1,150	14,249	30,815	
British Africa, nes	12,190	1,196	73,531	55,729	
Other Asia					
Ceylon		- 8		384,008	
Hong Kong	78,034	68,825	827,275	824,952	
India			-	12,714	
Malaya and Singapore	47,856	56,161	593,032	601,050	
British East Indies, nes	660	844	12,057	9,471	
Oceania Australia			55		
		69	3,898	4,887	
Fiji		0,9	5,050	4,007	
South America					
British Guiana	2,907	37	22,988	31,103	
Central America and Antilles					
Bahamas	29,327	11,316	269,270	260,500	
Bermuda	9,552	10,530	108,137	118,363	
British Honduras	1,997	4,124	33,821	30,204	
Barbados	13,451	19,414	148,244	124,453	
Jamaica	128,273	85,562	1,234,283	1,348,382	
Leeward and Windward Islands	93,631	64,076	895,958	943,306	
Trinidad and Tobago	114,558	89,171	1,261,348	1,247,962	
IIIIIIII	227,550	77,272	2,202,540	X,247,50m	
Totals, Com. and Pref. Countries	1,976,675	1,819,388	19,796,703	21,244,573	
OTHER COUNTRIES					
Western Europe					
Belgium and Luxembourg	10,382	14,697	138,412	174,386	
Denmark	1,150	987	10,217	2,760	
France		~		345	
Germany, Federal Republic		-	6,463	3,763	
Greece	2,535	3,774	30,394	7,121	
Iceland	1,774		14,573	24,438	
Italy			6,265	18,966	
Netherlands	563	-	2,546	1,939	
Norway			115	2,622	
Portugal	2,588	6,382	69,998	49,031	
Sweden		-	1,265	1,518	
Switzerland			7,935	30	
Middle East					
Iran	_	1,046	4,333	2,429	
Iraq			948	-	
Israel		-	8,437	255	

Destination	March 1963 1/	June 1963 2/	August	-June		
Destination	March 1903 1)	Julie 1903 Z/	1962-63 2/	1961-62 1		
	- bushels -					
THER COUNTRIES (concluded)						
Middle East				***		
Jordan		- 0	651	110,059		
Lebanon	5,152	149,634	348,972	549,46		
Saudi Arabia	44	-	6,679	960		
Syria	738	-	5,529	2,260		
U.A.REgypt	-	60,278	99,240	171,99		
Other Africa						
Angola	-	· ene	2,760	57:		
Cameroons		2,300	2,300			
Congo-Leo	2,933	3,450	82,598	161,694		
French West Africa			23,442	22,096		
Liberia	5,699	11,974	52,769	29,534		
Mozambique	2,990	2,125	22,731	19,20		
	9,913	15,594	96,083	82,57		
Portuguese Africa, nes				02,57		
Togo	12,397	10,005	49,197	-		
Other Asia		1.50 001	150 005	200 20		
Indonesia		152,821	152,885	390,36		
Japan	8,388	70,525	480,835	1,008,58		
Philippines	1,150	-	11,040	1,083,18		
Portuguese India			-	67,94		
Portuguese Asia	1,030	1,012	9,209	15,68		
Thailand	31,643	47,628	338,576	324,24		
Viet-Nam	-	-	44,576			
Oceania						
French Oceania			1,725	88		
United States Oceania	575		2,875	1,09		
South America						
Chile	1,150		9,143	7,13		
Colombia			-	2,58		
Peru	3,910	4,945	39,031	20,54		
Surinam	11,921	4,637	63,933	70,38		
	138	4,037				
Venezuela	130		1,748	11,23		
Central America and Antilles	00 565	105 703	990 / 96	726 72		
Costa Rica	98,565	105,793	829,486	736,73		
Dominican Republic	0 500	11,040	123,579	202,30		
El Salvador	2,530	6,643	81,248	181,78		
French West Indies	-		2,840	2,13		
Guatemala	10,474	690	47,513	77,33		
Haiti		16,560	17,236	**		
Honduras	11,702	6,440	61,806	89,82		
Netherlands Antilles	19,828	21,372	234,510	188,85		
Nicaragua	49,510	40,057	424,415	421,20		
Panama	39,518	9,860	394,813	386,77		
North America						
St. Pierre and Miquelon	226	1,410	13,175	10,14		
United States	125,808	89,870	1,265,112	1,256,14		
Totals, Other Countries	476,880	873,549	5,746,161	7,997,14		
Totals, All Countries	2,453,555	2,692,937	25,542,864	29,241,72		

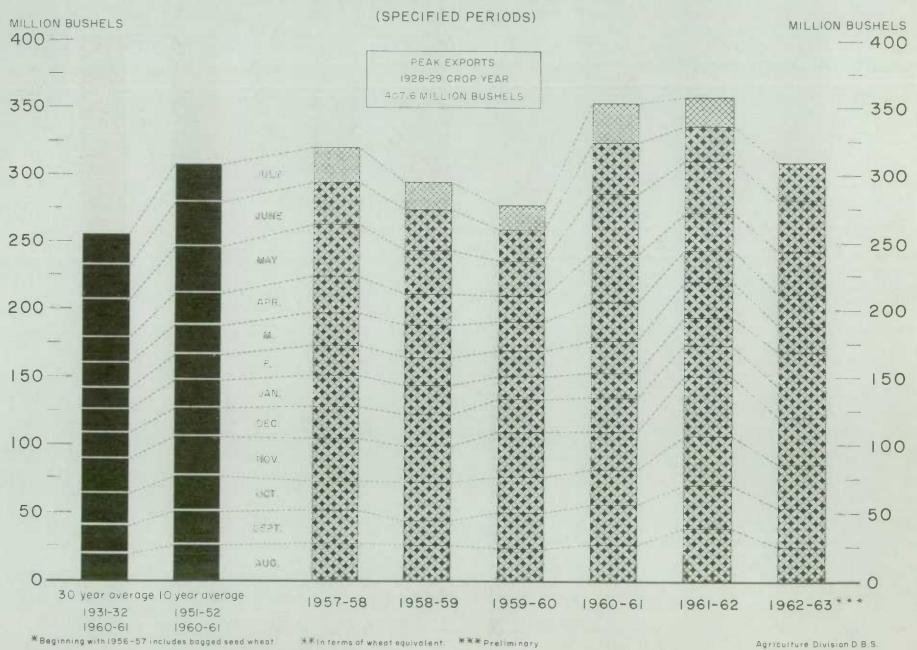
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^{1/} In terms of wheat equivalent. Adjusted to remove effect of time lag in the returns made by Customs. Conversion rate: 2.3 bushels per cwt. 2/ In terms of wheat equivalent. Preliminary and unadjusted for time lag. Conversion rate: 2.3 bushels per cwt.

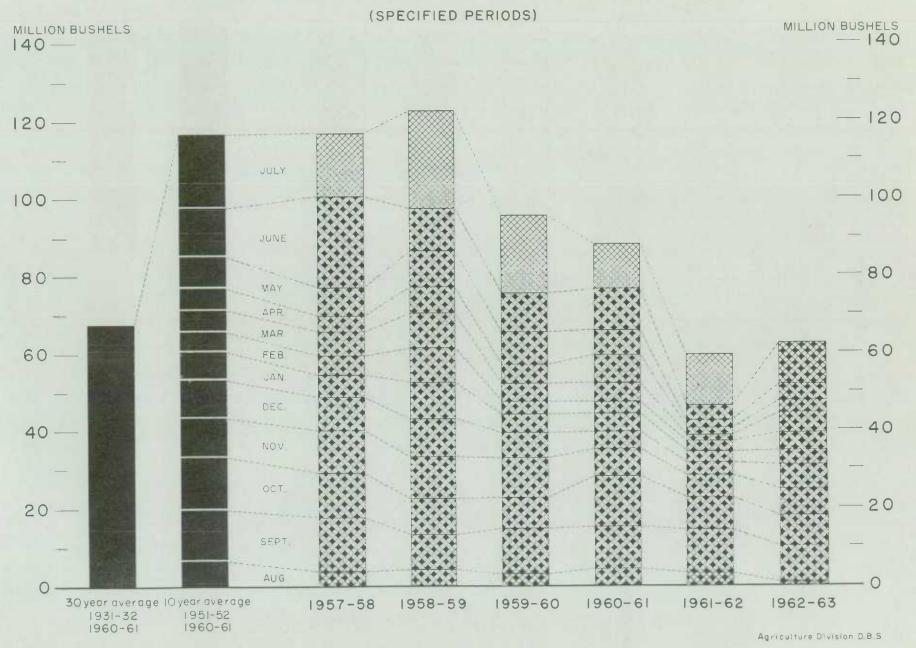
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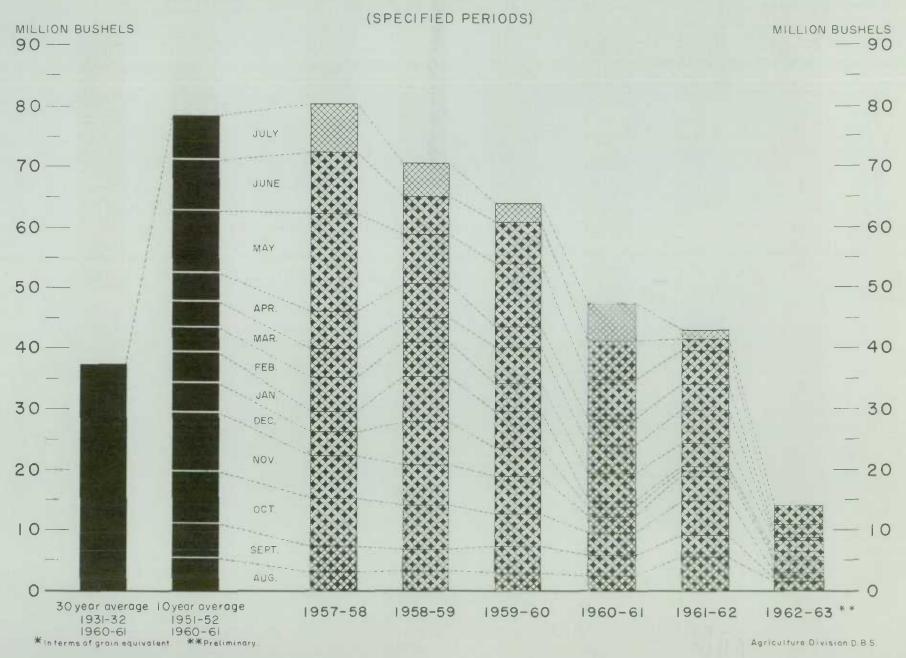
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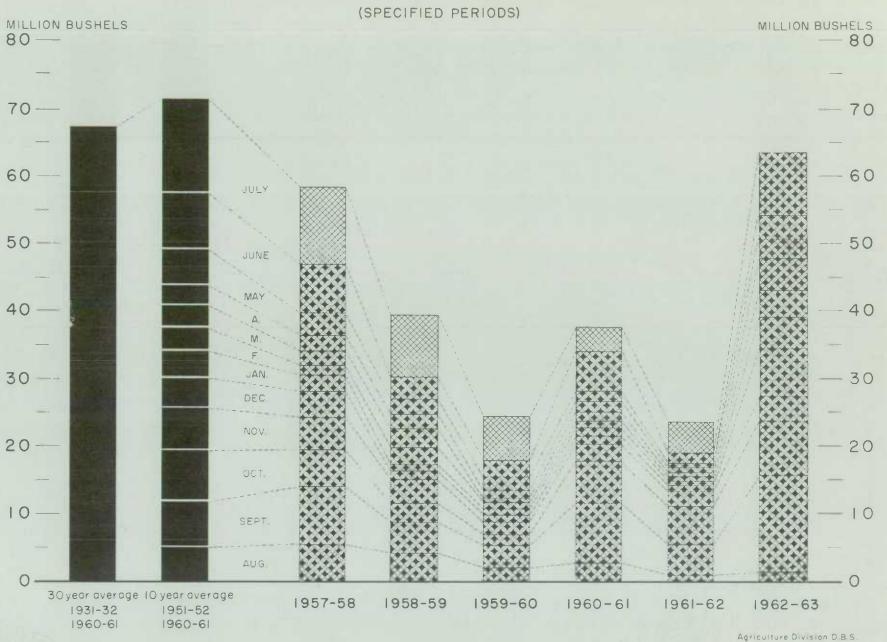
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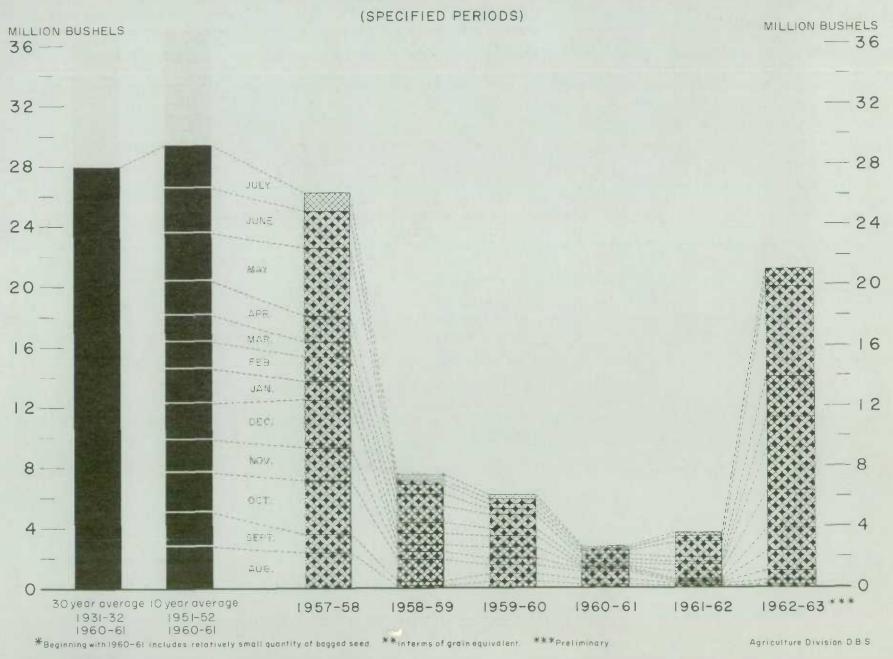
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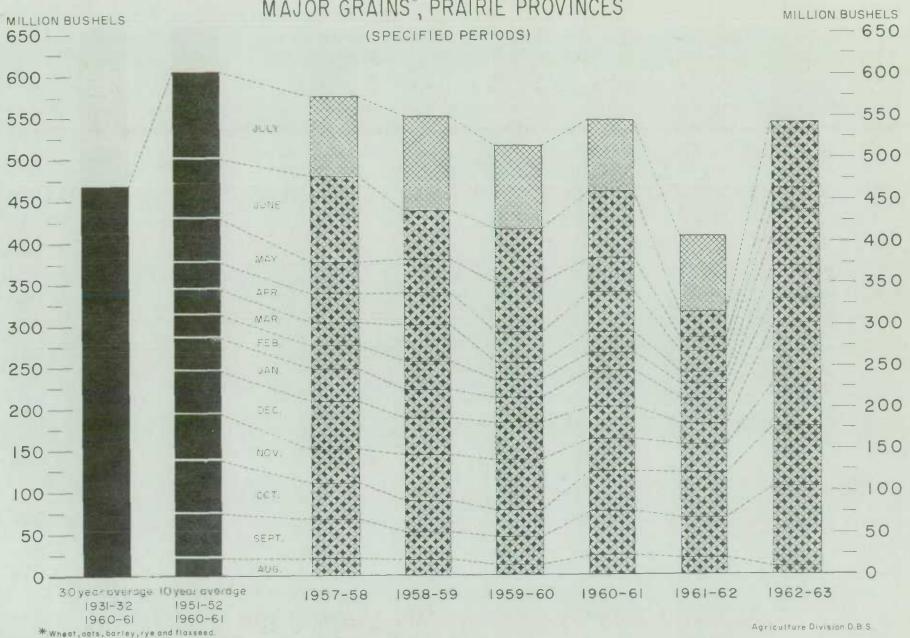
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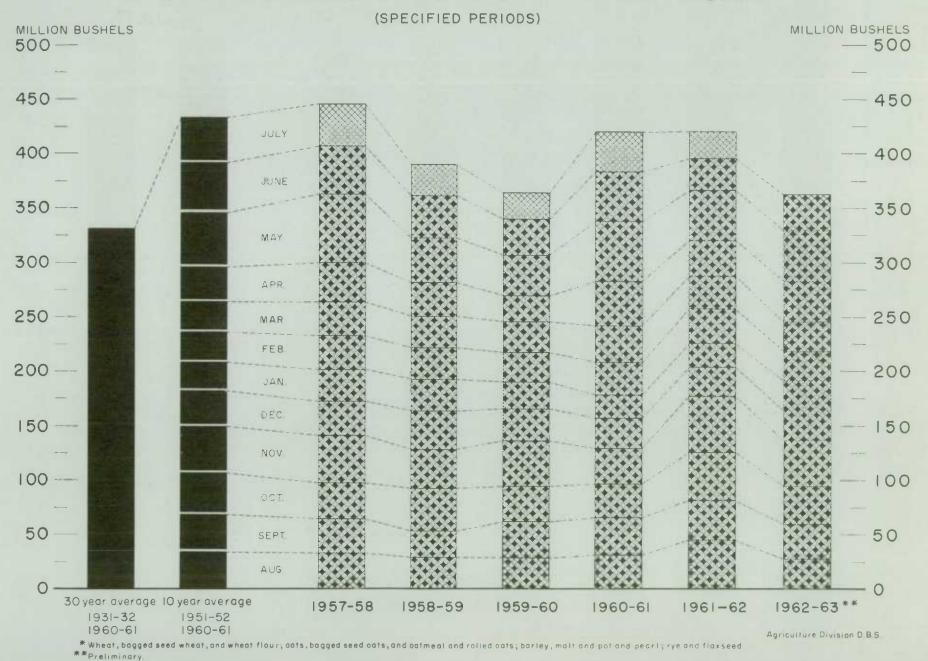
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FARMERS' MARKETINGS OF CANADA'S FIVE MAJOR GRAINS*, PRAIRIE PROVINCES



EXPORTS OF CANADA'S FIVE MAJOR GRAINS AND PRODUCTS*



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

Class and Grade	Week Ending July 5 July 12 July 19 July 2					
	July 5		July 19	July 2		
	- cents and eighths per bushel -					
Initial Payment to Producers						
l 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	108	108	108	108		
1 C.W. Garnet	135	135	135	135		
		130				
2 C.W. Garnet	130		130	130		
3 C.W. Garnet	125	125	125	125		
1 Alberta Red Winter	134	134	134	134		
2 Alberta Winter	129	139	129	129		
1 C.W. Amber Durum	150	150	150	150		
2 C.W. Amber Durum	146	146	146	146		
3 C.W. Amber Durum	142	142	142	142		
nternational Wheat Agreement						
and Domestic Sales						
1 Northern	195	194/5	194/7	194		
2 Northern	194	193/5	193/7	193		
3 Northern	191/4	191/5	191/7	191		
4 Northern	184/4	184/5	184/2	183		
	,	,				
5 Wheat	178/4	178/5	178/3	177,		
6 Wheat	173/4	173/5	173/3	172		
Feed Wheat	170/4	170/5	170/3	169,		
1 C.W. Garnet	190/4	190/5	186/3	179		
2 C.W. Garnet	188/4	188/5	184/3	177,		
3 C.W. Garnet	187/4	187/5	183/3	176,		
1 Alberta Red Winter	190/4	190/5	186/3	179		
2 Alberta Winter	188/4	188/5	184/3	177		
3 Alberta Winter	187/4	187/5	183/3	176		
1 C.W. Amber Durum	232/4	232/5	232/7	232		
2 C.W. Amber Durum	231/4	231/5	231/7	231		
3 C.W. Amber Durum	223/4	223/5	223/7	223		
	220, 1	223/5				
xport - Class 11						
1 Northern	195	194/5	194/7	194		
2 Northern	194	193/5	193/7	193,		
3 Northern	191/4	191/5	191/7	191		
4 Northern	184/4	184/5	184/2	183		
5 Wheat	178/4	178/5	178/3	177		
6 Wheat	173/4	173/5	173/3	172		
Feed Wheat	170/4	170/5	170/3	169		
1 C.W. Garnet	190/4	190/5	186/3	179		
		188/5	184/3	177		
2 C.W. Garnet	188/4	1.	,			
3 C.W. Garnet	187/4	187/5	183/3	176		
l C.W. Amber Durum	232/4	232/5	232/7	232		
2 C.W. Amber Durum	231/4	231/5	231/7	231,		
3 C.W. Amber Durum	223/4	223/5	223/7	223		

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

Class and Grade	Week Ending				
	July 5	July 12	July 19	July 20	
	- cents and eighths per bushel -				
Initial Payment to Producers					
	150	150	150	150	
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	108	108	108	108	
1 C.W. Garnet	135	135	135	135	
2 C.W. Garnet	130	130	130	130	
3 C.W. Garnet	125	125	125	125	
l Alberta Red Winter	134	134	134	134	
2 Alberta Winter	129	129	129	129	
1 C.W. Amber Durum	150	150	150	150	
2 C.W. Amber Durum	146	146	146	146	
3 C.W. Amber Durum	142	142	142	142	
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International Wheat Agreement					
and Domestic Sales					
l Northern	201/2	200/7	201/1	201/	
2 Northern	199/2	198/7	199/1	199	
3 Northern	196/6	196/7	197/1	197	
4 Northern	188/6	188/7	189/1	189	
	180/6	180/7	180/2	179	
5 Wheat	178/6	178/7	178/2	177	
6 Wheat			175/2	174,	
Feed Wheat	175/6	175/7		181,	
1 C.W. Garnet	191/6	191/7	187/5		
2 C.W. Garnet	189/6	189/7	185/5	179/	
3 C.W. Garnet	188/6	188/7	184/5	178,	
1 Alberta Red Winter	191/6	191/7	187/5	181/	
2 Alberta Winter	189/6	189/7	185/5	179/	
3 Alberta Winter	188/6	188/7	184/5	178,	
Export - Class 11					
1 Northern	201/2	200/7	201/1	201,	
2 Northern	199/2	198/7	199/1	199	
3 Northern	196/6	196/7	197/1	197	
4 Northern	188/6	188/7	189/1	189	
5 Wheat	180/6	180/7	180/2	179	
6 Wheat	178/6	178/7	178/2	177	
Feed Wheat	175/6	175/7	175/2	174	
1 C.W. Garnet	191/6	191/7	187/5	181	
	189/6	189/7	185/5	179	
2 C.W. Garnet			184/5	178	
3 C.W. Garnet	188/6	188/7			
1 Alberta Red Winter	191/6	191/7	187/5	181,	
2 Alberta Winter	189/6	189/7	185/5	179,	
3 Alberta Winter	188/6	188/7	184/5	178/	

CANADIAN FLOUR MILLING SITUATION

Wheat flour production by Canadian mills during June 1963 amounted to 3,029,000 hundred-weight, indicating a decrease of 10 per cent from the May 1963 output of 3,357,000 hundredweight, 17 per cent lower than the June 1962 figure of 3,631,000 hundredweight and 10 per cent less than the ten-year (1953-62) average production for the month of June of 3,383,000 hundredweight. Mills reporting operations during June 1963 had a total rated capacity of 165,000 hundredweight per 24-hour day and on the basis of a 25-day working period 73.4 per cent of this rated capacity was effective.

Wheat milled for flour during June 1963 amounted to 6,775,000 hushels, 9 per cent below the 7,406,000 bushels milled during the preceding month, and 16 per cent lower than the 8,052,000 bushels milled during June 1962. Of the wheat milled for flour during June 1963 some 6,079,000 bushels were Western Canadian spring wheat (other than Durum) while the remainder consisted of Ontario winter wheat (527,000 bushels); Durum (110,000 bushels); and all other (60,000 bushels).

According to preliminary Customs returns, exports of Canadian wheat flour during June 1963 amounted to 1,171,000 hundredweight (some 2,693,000 bushels of wheat equivalent) indicating a decrease of 5 per cent from the 2,827,000 bushels exported during the previous month, but 10 per cent greater than the adjusted June 1962 total of 2,456,000 bushels. Flour shipments during the month went to fifty-one countries with exports to Britain amounting to 1,028,000 bushels of wheat equivalent and accounting for 38 per cent of the June 1963 total. Other principal markets for Canadian wheat flour during the month, with shipments in thousands of bushels of wheat equivalent were as follows: Ghana, 299; Indonesia, 153; Lebanon, 150; Costa Rica, 106; United States, 90; Trinidad and Tobago, 89; and Jamaica 86.

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

Cron Vone	Wheat Milled	Wheat	Flour
Crop Year	for Flour	Production	Exports 1/
	bushels	- cw	t
1935-36-1939-40 average	67,845,114	29,405,451	9,603,941
1940-411944-45 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	88,240,580	39,539,651	13,892,676
1962-63 2/August	6,576,578 6,346,386 7,256,425 6,815,604 5,547,290 6,197,875 6,250,139 6,547,894 6,726,603 7,406,415 6,774,896	2,952,879 2,863,042 3,265,003 3,064,494 2,499,301 2,793,497 2,815,286 2,953,530 3,045,159 3,357,198 3,028,851	1,160,900 1,277,841 1,065,714 938,473 769,876 971,159 617,296 843,161 1,061,287 1,229,044 1,170,842
Totals	72,446,105	32,638,240	11,105,593
Same months 1961-62 3/	79,959,716	35,802,860	12,713,792

^{1/} Based on Customs returns. Exports for the crop years 1945-46--1961-62 revised to remove effect of time lag in the returns made by Customs. 2/ Subject to revision. 3/ Revised.

UNITED STATES SITUATION

Disappearance of United States Wheat Declines 7 Per Cent from 1961-62 Level Total disappearance (exports plus domestic use) of United States wheat during the crop year (July-June) 1962-63 amounted to 1,231 million bushels and represented a decline of 7 per cent from the comparable 1961-62 total of 1,330 million. The decrease in total disappearance reflected a substantial drop in exports from the

1961-62 record level as well as a reduction in domestic requirements. Preliminary data indicate that the 1962-63 exports of wheat, wheat flour and products in terms of grain equivalent amounted to 636 million bushels and represented a decline of 11 per cent from the 1961-62 peak of 718 million. Domestic requirements in the crop year recently completed decreased from an estimated 612 million bushels in 1961-62 to 595 million in 1962-63.

Although total disappearance into domestic and export channels in 1962-63 was at a lower level than in the preceding year this volume still exceeded the 1962 production by a considerable margin, and as a result, year-end stocks declined from 1,322 million at June 30, 1962 to 1,189 in 1963.

United States Wheat Supplies

Item	1961-62 1/	1962-63
	- million	bushels -
Carryover at beginning of crop year (July 1) Production	1,411.2 1,234.7	$\begin{array}{c} 1,321.9 \ \underline{1}/\\ 1,092.6 \ \underline{1}/\end{array}$
Total estimated domestic supplies	2,645.9	2,414.4
Imports of wheat and wheat flour in terms of wheat for domestic use, July-June	5.7	6.1
Total estimated supplies	2,651.7	2,420.6
Less estimated domestic requirements for crop year 2/	611.6	595.4 1/
Available for export and for carryover	2,040.1	1,825.1
Deduct: Exports of wheat as grain, July-June Exports of wheat flour and products in terms of	608.1	535.4
wheat, July-June 3/	110.1	100.4
Total exports of wheat, wheat flour and products 4/	718.2	635.7
Balance on July 1 for export and for carryover	1,321.9	1,189.4

^{1/} Revised. 2/ Includes shipments to United States Territories and wheat for military food use at home and abroad. 3/ Flour exports exclude "Milled in bond". 4/ These figures now include all shipments under relief programs which formerly were not available from Census data.

Stocks of Wheat in All Positions July 1, 1963 On July 24, the United States Department of Agriculture reported that all wheat stocks in storage on July 1 totalled 1,189 million bushels - 10 per cent below a year earlier and marks the second year of decline from the record high carryover of wheat on July

1, 1961. Stores of wheat on July 1 were 9 per cent greater than the 1962 production of wheat. Off-farm wheat stocks were 1,094 million bushels and those stored on farms amounted to about 95 million. Wheat owned by the Government made up more than 80 per cent of the carryover stocks. Disappearance of wheat from all storage positions during the April-June quarter was 316 million bushels, slightly less than the record quarterly disappearance of a year earlier.

Durum wheat stocks of 40.8 million bushels on July 1 this year compare with 5.2 million a year earlier. Carryover stocks a year ago were unusually low following a drought and low production in the durum area during the 1961 growing season. Disappearance of durum in the April-June quarter was 18.1 million bushels.

U.S. Wheat Stocks by Positions, July 1, 1963 with Comparisons

Position	July 1 Average 1957-61	July 1 1962	April 1 1963	July 1 1963
		- thousand	bushels -	
All Wheat				
On Farms 1/	91,780	102,308	195,917	95,713
Commodity Credit Corp. 2/	76,871	59,547	46,903	34,779
Mills, Elev. & Whses. $1/3/$	993,342	1,160,015	1,262,190	1,058,914
Totals	1,161,993	1,321,870	1,505,010	1,189,406
Durum Wheat 4/				
On Farms 17	-	1,757	40,748	18,012
Mills, Elev. & Whses. $1/3/$	-	3,411	18,162	22,780
Totals		5,168	58,910	40,792

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

Flour Production The Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce estimated wheat flour production in the United States in June 1963, at 20,421,000 hundredweight, an average of 1,021,000 hundredweight per working

day. This compared with an average output per working day of 1,025,000 hundredweight in May 1963 and 958,000 hundredweight in June 1962. Wheat flour mills in June operated at 93.6 per cent of capacity compared with 94.0 per cent and 86.9 per cent, respectively, for the previous month and the same month a year ago. Flour mills in June ground 46,520,000 bushels of wheat compared with 51,105,000 bushels during the previous month. Wheat offal output during June amounted to 377,287 tons.

^{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.

^{4/} Totals included in all wheat.

1963 Wheat Crop Forecast at 1,111 Million Bushels In a report released on July 10, the Crop Reporting Board of the United States Department of Agriculture stated in part that production of <u>all wheat</u> is forecast at 1,111 million bushels, 2 per cent more than the 1962 crop but 9 per cent less than

average. The indicated yield of 25.0 bushels per harvested acre is one-tenth of a bushel less than last year's yield. Winter wheat yield is above last year but spring wheat yields are expected to be lower.

Total acreage of all wheat for harvest as grain is estimated to be 44.5 million acres, 2 per cent above last year but 12 per cent below the 1957-61 average. The all wheat national allotment is 55 million acres for the 1963 crop. There is no mandatory reduction in allotted acres as was the case with the 1962 crop. The 1963 program permits growers to voluntarily divert a minimum of 20 per cent of the acreage allotment or small farm acreage base up to a maximum of 50 per cent. A total of 7.8 million acres was enrolled in the 1963 program as intended for diversion.

The winter wheat crop is now expected to be 875 million bushels, 7 per cent more than last year but 12 per cent below average. By the first of July one of the earliest harvests of record had progressed northward to central Nebraska, Illinois, Indiana, and Ohio. Texas and Oklahoma harvests were completed a week to ten days earlier than usual. Combining of wheat was coming to a close in Kansas by July 1 and Colorado harvest was over half completed. Better than expected harvest returns in eastern United States, near record prospects in the Northwest, and higher yields in Kansas and Nebraska boosted the wheat production forecast above the June 1 level. The yield per acre, estimated at 25.9 bushels, is a half-bushel higher than last year and above average.

The acreage seeded for the 1963 crop of winter wheat was 42.1 million acres. Acreage to be harvested for grain was estimated at 33.8 million acres, 1 per cent more than in 1962. Abandonment and diversion to uses other than grain accounted for 19.6 per cent of the seeded acreage. This would be the largest abandonment and diversion since 1956. Abandonment was heavy in the Southern plains where winter injured wheat fields were further subjected to severe spring drought and, in some areas, serious insect injury. Heaviest acreage loss centered in southeastern Colorado, the Panhandle of Texas and Oklahoma and southwestern Kansas.

The <u>durum wheat</u> production forecast of 43.7 million bushels is 39 per cent less than last year's large crop but 59 per cent above the average. Yield per harvested acre, forecast at 22.0 bushels, is the third highest of record. The crop outlook is excellent except in north central Montana where persistent drought limited production prospects. Some acreage was drowned out in Canadian Border areas of North Dakota, the Red River Valley and northeastern South Dakota. The drowned out acreage is not extensive and, generally, abandonment is expected to be about average. Crop development this year was more advanced by July 1 than last year's late crop but was about the same as usual. Less than half the acreage was headed in the main durum area. The acreage for harvest in 1963 is expected to be 2.0 million acres, compared with 2.4 million acres last year and the average of 1.5 million. North Dakota, the leading durum State, expects to have the largest harvested acreage, with the exception of last year, since 1959. South Dakota's durum acreage is the smallest since 1951. Acreage is unchanged from 1962 in Minnesota but is down more than a third in Montana.

Production of spring wheat other than durum is forecast at 192 million bushels, 6 per cent smaller than the 1962 crop and 4 per cent below average. Present yield prospects are 22.1 bushels per harvested acre and if realized would be the third highest yield of record.

Exports make a Record in April 1963

U.S. Wheat and Flour U.S. wheat and flour (grain equivalent) exports at 77 million bushels during April 1963 topped the previous record of 74 million bushels exported in October 1961. Present indications (based on wheat inspections for export and estimated flour

exports) are that May exports were even larger. Although wheat exports during the last quarter may be much larger than previous mon.hs, total exports for the year ending June 30, 1963 are expected to be about 75 million bushels below the record of the 608 million exported in 1961-62. Wheat and flour exports in total are expected to be about 630 million bushels, down about 90 million from 1961-62.

Wheat and flour (in grain equivalent) exports from July 1962 through April 1963 totaled 501 million bushels, compared with 594 million during the first 10 months of the previous year. Areawide, the largest reduction was the result of smaller shipments of both wheat and flour to the Common Market countries and other European areas. Exports to the Western Hemisphere and African countries were also down. In contrast, shipments to Asia were much larger, as a result of increased shipments of wheat to India and Pakistan.

Table A shows country of destination for wheat and flour during July-April 1962-63, compared with the same period in 1961-62. Shipments of wheat and flour to Canada in this table were mostly for transhipment to other countries.

Table B shows the quantities of U.S. wheat inspected for export from Canadian ports and total exports from Table A adjusted to include inspections during July-April 1961-62 and July-April 1962-63.

Table A. United States Exports of Wheat and Flour by Country of Destination July-April 1961-62 and 1962-63

	July	-April 196	1-62	July	-April 196:	2-63
Destination		Flour 1/		Wheat	Flour 1/	Total
		-	thousand	bushels	-	
Western Hemisphere						
Canada 2/	9,844	151	9,995	9,250	148	9,398
Central America	2,789	2,379	5,168	2,843	2,247	5,090
Trinidad and Tobago	11	1,266	1,277	20	1,227	1,247
Haiti	1,760	58	1,818	1,087	70	1,157
Bolivia	196	2,499	2,695	610	2,570	3,180
Brazil	40,104	205	40,309	43,050	397	43,447
Chile	6,937	1,392	8,329	5,760	910	6,670
Colombia	3,445	867	4,312	3,467	629	4,096
Paraguay	2,737	59	2,796	919	80	999
Peru	6,621	411	7,032	4,108	287	4,395
Venezuela	9,493	103	9,596	3,876	130	4,006
Others	379	3,096	3,475	1,081	3,736	4,817
Totals	84,316	12,486	96,802	76,071	12,431	88,502

Table A. United States Exports of Wheat and Flour by Country of Destination July-April 1961-62 and 1962-63

Destination		-April 196			y-April 19	
	Wheat	Flour 1/	Total	Wheat	Flour 1/	Total
			- thousand	bushels	-	
Europe EEC						
Belgium-Luxembourg	5,169	2	5,171	2 500	10	2 510
France				2,509	10	2,519
	3,118	3/	3,118	1,220	130	1,350
Germany, West	13,094	157	13,251	6,278	6	6,284
Italy	13,581	4,921	18,502	1,240	3,877	5,117
Netherlands	18,689	2,870	21,559	7,727	973	8,700
EEC sub-totals	53,651	7,950	61,601	18,974	4,996	23,970
Greece	1,986	1,681	3,667	794	1,571	2,365
Norway	3,715	9	3,724	755	21	776
Poland	15,666	868	16,534			
Portugal		460		7,535	720	8,255
	7,978		8,438	1,441	545	1,986
Spain	21,446	448	21,894		14	14
Switzerland	5,219	3/	5,219	2,590	3/	2,590
United Kingdom	12,824	2,721	15,545	2,647	276	2,923
Yugoslavia	29,095	2,215	31,310	24,623	1,445	26,068
Others	1,671	852	2,523	1,832	350	2,182
Totals	153,251	17,204	170,455	61,191	9,938	71,129
sia						
Ceylon	-	2,929	2,929		3,584	3,584
India	74,197	684	74,881	107,289	359	107,648
Indonesia		2,771	2,771	5	328	333
Iran	2,511	579	3,090	4,665	1,777	6,442
Israel	7,427	156	7,583	8,081	108	8,189
Japan	25,629	2,233	27,862	27,304	2,712	30,016
Jordan	8	2,874	2,882	1,820	2,692	4,512
Korea	8,889	805	9,694	19,823	804	20,627
Lebanon	1	1,180	1,181	-	1,086	1,086
Pakistan	23,930	630	24,560	45,138	870	46,008
Philippines	7,358	898	8,256	6,102	562	6,664
Saudi Arabia	78	1,858	1,936	7	3,157	3,164
Syria	3,417	3,210	6,627			
Taiwan	10,606	999		8 620	1 / 83	10 112
Turkey			11,605	8,629	1,483	10,112
Vietnam, Laos and	39,349	218	39,567	8,494	472	8,966
Cambodía	118	2,494	2,612	359	2,852	3,211
Others	1,412	2,328	3,740	735	2,329	3,064
Totals	204,930	26,846	231,776	238,451	25,175	

Table A. United States Exports of Wheat and Flour by Country of Destination July-April 1961-62 and 1962-63

	July	-April 196	1-62	July	-April 196	52-63
Destination	Wheat	Flour 1/	Total	Wheat	Flour 1	Total
		-	thousand	bushels -		
Africa						
Algeria	9,120	422	9,542	6,715	2,550	9,265
British East Africa	93	70	163	1,268	57	1,325
Congo (Leopoldville)	-	1,890	1,890	35	1,854	1,889
Egypt	22,538	27,468	50,006	21,356	23,800	45,156
Morocco	12,974	945	13,919	2,097	1,913	4,010
Nigeria	-	1,564	1,564	1,085	211	1,296
Sudan		203	203	1,143	615	1,758
Tunisia	13,128	138	13,266	8,012	146	8,158
Others	2,044	1,948	3,992	3,304	1,513	4,817
Totals	59,897	34,648	94,545	45,015	32,659	77,674
OceaniaTotals, All	00	35	35	-	47	47
Countries 4/	502,394	91,219	593,613	420,728	80,250	500,978

^{1/} Grain equivalent. 2/ The bulk of exports to Canada are for transhipment to other destinations - see Table B. 3/ Less than 500 bushels. 4/ Includes shipments for relief or charity.

Table B. United States Exports of Wheat and Flour as Adjusted for Transhipment Through Canadian Ports, July-April 1961-62 and 1962-63

	July-April	1961-62	July-April	1962-63
Destination	Wheat in- spected for export from Canadian ports	Adjusted totals for listed countries	Wheat in- spected for export from Canadian ports	Adjusted totals for listed countries
EEC		- thousand	bushels -	
Belgium-Luxembourg	649	5,820	221	2,740
France	2,165	5,283	1,495	2,845
Germany, West	478	13,729	827	7,111
Italy		18,502	The second	5,117
Netherlands	3,361	24,920	1,993	10,693
Totals	6,653	68,254	4,536	28,506
United Kingdom	1,050	16,595	1,215	4,138
Portugal		8,438	981	2,967
Spain	1,125	23,019	- 1	14
Yugoslavia		31,310	2,958	29,026
Turkey	1,456	41,023	- 1	8,966
Algeria	2,401	11,943		9,265
Egypt	938	50,944		45,156
Tunisia	92	13,358		8,158
Totals 1/	13,715	264,884	9,690	136,196

^{1/} Excludes 126,000 bushels inspected for export to unspecified areas during July-April 1961-62 and 840,000 bushels during July-April 1962-63.

Cash Wheat Prices on the Kansas City and Minneapolis Markets

No. 2 Hard Winter, Kansas City		No. 1 Northern Spring, Minneapolis			
)ate	Price	Date	Price		
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July 1, 1963 2	198 1/2 - 212 1/2 199 1/4 - 208 1/4 199 - 209 3/4 Independence Day 198 1/2 - 211	July 1, 1963	231 1/8 - 233 1/8 227 1/2 - 229 1/2 227 1/2 - 229 1/2 Independence Day 226 7/8 - 228 7/8		
8 9 10 11	197 3/4 - 208 196 1/2 - 208 3/4 194 3/4 - 206 195 1/4 - 203 1/4 196 1/4 - 198 1/4	8 9 10 11 12	226 1/2 - 228 1/2 225 1/2 - 227 1/2 224 1/4 - 226 1/4 223 3/4 - 225 3/4 223 3/8 - 225 3/8		
15 16 17 18 19	195 3/4 - 210 199 - 201 3/4 195 - 200 1/2 195 1/4 - 197 1/4 194 - 202 3/4	15	222 3/4 - 224 3/4 222 3/8 - 224 3/8 222 7/8 - 224 7/8 222 1/2 - 224 1/2 222 1/4 - 224 1/2		
22 23 24 25 26	194 1/2 - 196 192 1/2 - 230 198 1/2 - 199 1/2 192 1/2 - 195 191 1/4 - 221 3/4	22 23 24 25	218 - 223 217 1/8 - 222 1/8 213 1/4 - 222 1/4 212 - 222 211 5/8 - 221 5/8		
29 30 31	196 1/2 195 1/2 - 204 1/2 197 1/4	29	211 3/8 - 219 3/8 209 - 216 209 3/4 - 216 3/4		

1/ Nominal.

Chicago Wheat Futures, High Points of Closing

Date	July	September	December	March	May	July	September
			- cents and	eighths pe	er bushel -		
July 1, 1963 2	185/3 185/5 184/6	187/3 187/4 186/7	193/2 193/5 193	196/3 195/6 195/4 pendence Da	191/2 190/6 190/4	166 167 167	167 169 170
5	183/5	185/3	191/6	194/2	190	167/2	170
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15	180/4 180/6 180 179/5 178/7	182/6 183/2 182/4 182/3 1ē1/2	189/2 189/3 188/5 188/4 187/3	192/2 192/4 191/6 191/4 190/2	187/4 187 186 185/4 183	159/7 158/2 157/2 156/4 152/2	161 159/6 159 158/2 154
22	178/4	180/1 179/5 177/2 176/6 177/2	186/1 185/5 183/2 182/6 183	189/2 188/2 186 185/4 185/7	181/4 181/2 178/6 178/7	152/2 152 154/4 154/4 155/4	153/6 153/6 154/2 156/2 157/2
29 30 31		178/5 178/6 179/1	184/4 184/4 184/7	187 187/3 187/5	180/6 181/2 181/4	154 154/5 154/5	156/4 156/4 156/4

AUSTRALIAN SITUATION

Supply Position

Estimated supplies of wheat in Australia for the 1962-63 (December-November) crop year amount to some 325.1 million bushels, consisting of the December 1, 1962 carryover of 17.9 million and the current crop officially estimated at a record 307.2 million bushels. Supplies of the size indicated, reflecting a substantially larger production which more than offset a decline in carryover, represent an increase of 20 per cent over the 1961-62 total of 271.8 million bushels. After deducting 73.9 million for anticipated domestic requirements, an estimated 251.2 million are available for export and for carryover during 1962-63, 28 per cent above the 195.8 million in 1961-62.

Combined exports of wheat as grain and wheat flour in terms of grain equivalent during the period December 1-July 6 of the current Australian crop year amounted to 131.6 million bushels compared with 132.3 million exported during the corresponding period of 1961-62. The balance remaining on July 7, 1963 for export and for carryover, at 119.6 million bushels, exceeded by 88 per cent the comparable 1962 total of 63.5 million.

Australian Wheat Supplies

Item	1961-62 1/	1962-63 2/		
	- million bushels			
Carryover, including flour as wheat, at beginning of crop year (December 1)	24.6 247.2	17.9 307.2		
Total estimated domestic supplies	271.8	325.1		
Less estimated domestic requirements for crop year	76.0	73.9 1/		
Available for export and for carryover	195.8	251.2		
Deduct: Exports of wheat as grain, December 1-July 6 Exports of wheat flour in terms of wheat,	117.6	118.1		
December 1-July 6	14.7	13.5		
Total exports of wheat and wheat flour	132.3	131.6		
Balance on July 7 for export and for carryover	63.5	119.6		

 $[\]frac{1}{2}$ / Revised. Preliminary.

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Crop Position Wheat sowing operations in most of the wheat areas of Australia have again been hampered, and severely restricted in some cases, by torrential rains. It is impossible to give an estimate of the damage caused by these heavy falls as it will be quite some time before a clearer picture emerges. However, reports from Western Australia would indicate that sowing operations there have had to be abandoned entirely as many acres are under inches of water.

The remaining important wheat-growing States of New South Wales, Victoria and Queensland have experienced similar downpours. Seeding conditions in these states, although difficult, appear to be slightly better than in Western Australia. In most areas growers were able to seed nearly their full intended acreage although in many cases the seed went in later than normal.

Although no official reports have been released on the position of the current season's crop it would appear to be safe at this stage to forecast that the chances of Australia producing a near-record harvest are very slim indeed.

Marketing Position The Chairman of the Australian Wheat Board announced during the period under review that another sale had been concluded with Mainland China. The contract was for 110,000 tons (4,107,000 bushels) of Northern New South Wales premium wheat. No other details were released about this sale which apparently was negotiated at the same time as the sale announced in our previous report.

The possibilities of Australia exporting wheat to Brazil have been discussed by executives of the Board and the new Brazilian Ambassador in Australia. Recently, offers of Australian wheat have been made in response to tenders called by Brazilian authorities, but they were not accepted. No sales of wheat or flour have been made to Brazil since 1948.

Although no official announcement has as yet been made on the state of negotiations for the Wheat Stabilization Plan which is due to expire later this year, experts are forecasting that a reduction in wheat prices is certain under the new plan. It has been stated that prices for the current season's harvest will be from 1s. 6d. to 2s. (18 to 24 cents) per bushel lower than previously.

Under the existing plan, growers are allowed a yield of 15.5 bushels per acre whereas, in fact, the actual average for the past five years has been 18.5 bushels. The Commonwealth Government is expected to insist that 15.5 bushels could not be regarded as a realistic estimate of yield in the next five years, and will hold out for a figure of at least 17 bushels per acre. This, of course, will automatically reduce wheat prices.

Exports of Australian Wheat and Wheat Flour in Terms of Wheat December 1 - July 6, 1962-63 and Corresponding Period 1961-62

Destination	Whe	at	Wheat Flour		
Destruation	1961-62	1962-63	1961-62	1962-63	
	- thousand bushels -				
Europe					
Albania	- 15	878		-	
Britain	14,366	12,086	1,867	1,037	
Eire	717	1,466	-	-	
France	450	1	-	-	
Italy	4,846	-	-	2002	

Exports of Australian Wheat and Wheat Flour in Terms of Wheat December 1 - July 6, 1962-63 and Corresponding Period 1961-62

estination	Wheat		Wheat Flour		
estination	1961-62	1962-63	1961-62	1962-6	
SEALING STREET, STREET		- thousand	bushels -		
Malta	549	204		per.	
Norway	2,572	3,208		_	
Spain and Canary Islands	10,636	1,235		_	
Switzerland	73	1,200			
West Germany	8,336	1,212			
Others	0,550	1,212	7		
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Aden	665	514	- 50	-	
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Aden Atta	-	-	265	33	
Egypt	1,882	-	-	-	
Iran	255	332	-	-	
Iraq	733	ma	- 1	-	
Lebanon, Jordan, Syria	3,403	1,873	-	000	
Persian Gulf	-		96		
Persian Gulf Atta		-	811	5	
Saudi Arabia	-	THE WORLD	126	1	
Others	234	178	10		
	23.1	., .			
<u>frica</u>					
Africa South	441	-	M	-	
Algeria	446	-	-	_	
Kenya	882	-		-	
Mauritius	_	-	457	3	
Ny asaland	-	- 70	137	2	
Port. East Africa	197		-	-	
Rhodesia	1,941	2,328	_	-	
Zanzibar	_	-	74	1	
Others	9	9	57		
sia			100		
British North Borneo	-	-	128		
Brunei	em	-	25		
Burma	147	551	157	0 7	
Ceylon	15	4	3,545	2,7	
China	35,924	72,286	-		
Hong Kong	2,187	1,329	246	1	
India	9,029	2,781	-		
Indonesia	-	-	227	2	
Japan	10,583	5,877		-	
Korea, North	7	3,143	-	-	
Malaya	341	272	1,961	1,	
Malaya Atta	-	-	51		
Pakistan	1,775	1,846	-		
Sarawak	-		149		
Singapore	42	82	1,725	1,	
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Exports of Australian Wheat and Wheat Flour in Terms of Wheat December 1 - July 6, 1962-63 and Corresponding Period 1961-62

Doctionation	Wheat		Wheat Flour	
Destination	1961-62	1962-63	1961-62	1962-53
		- thousand	bushels -	
Pacific Area and Sundries				
Irian, West			48	8
New Zealand	3,673	3,883	-	-
Pacific Islands etc	28	35	1,256	1,373
Peru	56		2	10
Royal Navy	2		1	
Ships' Stores and Sundries	-		76	262
Totals	117,600	118,100	14,700	13,500

ARGENTINE SITUATION

Supply Position (December-November) crop year amount to 193.3 million bushels, consisting of the December 1, 1962 revised carryover of 8.9 million and the new crop placed at 184.5 million. Indicated supplies for the current Argentine crop year, reflecting decreases in both carryover stocks and production, are about 19 per cent less than the 1961-62 total of 237.4 million bushels. After making an allowance of 126.0 million bushels for anticipated domestic requirements, an estimated 67.3 million are available for export and for carryover in 1962-63, in contrast to 109.7 million the previous year.

Argentine Wheat Supplies

Item	1961-62 <u>1</u> /	1962-63 2/
	- million bushels -	
Carryover at beginning of crop year (December 1) 3/ Production	35.3 202.1	8.9 <u>1</u> 184.5
Total estimated domestic supplies	237.4	193.3
Less estimated domestic requirements for crop year	127.7 <u>1</u> /	126.0
Available for export and for carryover	109.7	67.3
Deduct: Exports of wheat as grain, December-June Exports of wheat flour in terms of wheat, December -	77.0	44.0
June	0.2	0.2
Total exports of wheat and wheat flour	77.2	44.2
Balance on July 1 for export and for carryover	32.5	23.1

^{1/} Revised. 2/ Preliminary. 3/ Includes allowances for farm stocks. 4/ Official estimate.

Exports of wheat and wheat flour in terms of grain equivalent during December 1962-June 1963 amounted to 44.2 million bushels, 43 per cent below the 77.2 million exported during the same months in 1961-62. The balance remaining on July 1, 1963 for export and for carryover was estimated at 23.1 million bushels, compared with the July 1, 1962 total of 32.5 million.

The following account of the Argentine situation has been extracted from a report from Mr. M.B. Bursey, Commercial Counsellor, Buenos Aires, under date of July 17, 1963 and is reproduced with the permission of the Trade Commissioner Service, Department of Trade and Commerce. Where possible, conversions from Argentine to Canadian measures have been made for the convenience of our readers. Currency conversions have been made at the rate of 127.62 pesos per Canadian dollar the quotation in effect on June 27, 1963.

Weather and Crops

Weather conditions were generally favourable during the period under review, although in some northern areas more rain would be welcome. Rainfall has been rather scarce in sections of the northern grain belt in the Provinces of Cordoba and Santa Fe and this, coupled with recurring frosts, has hindered the development of the winter crops now growing. On the other hand, in most areas of the southern grain belt, recent rainfall has resulted in optimum soil conditions, and in only a few areas has the rainfall been excessive.

There are indications of a noticeable increase in the area sown to wheat as a result of the well received minimum official producers prices and the availability of land for wheat in areas, which were depleted of livestock during last year's drought. It is still too early to make an accurate forecast of wheat acreage or of acreage sown to flax, which is sown later than wheat. The dual-purpose early grain (oats, barley and rye) are growing well and, in some areas, already are being used for grazing. In a few areas of Santa Fe and Cordoba Provinces, dry conditions have caused infestations of green aphids in these crops.

The outlook for the 1963-64 crop is generally favourable, although as mentioned earlier, dry conditions in a few northern areas are delaying the development of early-sown fields as well as hindering seeding operations. Some members of the trade are predicting a 20 per cent increase over the 4,610,300 hectares (11.4 million acres) sown in 1962-63, but this is only a rough guess. The new minimum official producers prices are considered by growers to be remunerative; as already reported, they are 710 pesos per 100 kgs (\$1.51 per bushel) for hard wheat, 690 pesos (\$1.47 per bushel) for semi-hard and 750 pesos (\$1.60 per bushel) for "Durums" f.o.r. Buenos Aires Port. Producers are also encouraged by the fact that the Government intends to re-establish the system used last year, whereby producers who sell their wheat later in the season, receive progressively higher prices. This system is designed essentially, to regulate the flow of grain into the country's terminal elevator facilities, but it is also designed to provide some sort of safeguard against future currency devaluation.

There has been a steady market for wheat during the period under review as a result of good local demand and interest by exporters in selling to neighbouring countries. The recent prices in the Buenos Aires Futures Market were as follows:

For delivery in:	June 19	June 26 - dollars	July 3 per bushel -	July 16
July	1.65	1.64	-	-
August	1.71	1.69	1.69	1.67
September	1.78	1.75	1.76	1.70
October	1.84	1.80	1.81	1.73
November		-	1.83	1.74

At the end of June, prices in the Rosario Exchange averaged 715 pesos per 100 kgs (\$1.52 per bushel) for hard wheat grade 1, while prices for the same quality at Buenos Aires averaged 765 pesos (\$1.63 per bushel). Present prices in the Buenos Aires and Bahia Blanca Cereal Exchange are averaging 730 pesos per 100 kgs (\$1.56 per bushel) for hard wheat; 702 pesos (\$1.50 per bushel) for semi-hard, and 800 (\$1.71 per bushel) for "Durums". The present price in Rosario for hard wheat is around 720 pesos (\$1.54 per bushel).

Export sales to non-LAFTA countries continue to be banned. A recent announcement by the National Grain Board confirmed that, "for the time being", no further authorizations would be made for 1962-63 wheat. Prior to this announcement, the Grain Board sold 65,000 metric tons (2,388,000 bushels) for home consumption or export to any destination. It is reported that 30,000 tons (1,102,000 bushels) of this quantity were sold at 7,760 pesos per ton (\$1.65 per bushel), and the remainder at 7,881 pesos (\$1.68 per bushel) f.o.b.

It has been reported that Brazil will soon be calling for tenders for the supply of 50,000 tons (1,837,000 bushels) of wheat from any origin and a further 50,000 metric tons (1,837,000 bushels) from Argentina.

It appears that, at long last, there is a hope of a solution to the problem of the 100,000 metric tons (3,674,000 bushels) of wheat which has been owed to Argentina by Uruguay for several years. It seems that an agreement has been reached that 20,000 tons (735,000 bushels) of Uruguayan wheat will be shipped direct from Uruguay to Brazil to help Argentina fulfill her present contract with that country, but confirmation is not yet available.

During the month of June, some 60,000 metric tons (2,205,000 bushels) of wheat were exported, all to Brazil, with the exception of 9,300 tons (342,000 bushels) to Peru. With the June tonnage, exports so far in the present crop year, December 1, 1962 to June 30, 1963, have totalled 1,196,510 metric tons (43,964,000 bushels).

Meanwhile, domestic consumption of wheat has decreased, as the official Grain Board figures for wheat milled during the December 1962-May 1963 inclusive period, indicate a monthly average of 248,000 metric tons (9,112,000 bushels), which would indicate a yearly consumption of some 2,970,000 tons (109,128,000 bushels), as compared to the figure of 3,100,000 tons (113,904,000 bushels) in the wheat disposition table. Therefore, it seems that more wheat will be available for export during the current year than anticipated earlier, as even if the area seeded to wheat increases by 20 per cent, such an increase will require only 65,000 metric tons (2,388,000 bushels) additional seed.

FRENCH SITUATION

The following account of the current crop situation in France has been extracted from a report by Mr. A.G. Kniewasser, Commercial Counsellor, Canadian Embassy, Paris, under date of July 25, 1963, and is reproduced with the permission of the Trade Commissioner Service, Department of Trade and Commerce. Where possible, conversions from French to Canadian measures have been made and rounded for the convenience of our readers. Currency conversions, except where otherwise indicated, have been made at the rate of one new franc equals .2199 Canadian dollars and one Deutsche mark equals .2706 Canadian dollars, the quotations in effect on June 27, 1963.

Weather and Growing Conditions

Warm and generally dry weather has prevailed throughout July in most grain producing regions of France and growing conditions have been favourable. Wheat and barley harvesting has begun in the Paris area. Elsewhere harvesting operations will be delayed from two to three weeks due to the wet, cold Spring.

Production Estimates

Official acreage, yield and production estimates
effective July 1 have just been released by the

French Government. They are moderately higher than the June 1 figures, due to good
weather and heavy applications of fertilizer by farmers anxious to make up for winter
and spring damage to crops.

Soft Wheat Acreage of this crop is now estimated at 3,766,000 hectares (9.3 million acres) and estimated yield at 24.5 quintals per hectare (36.4 bushels per acre). Production is therefore forecast at 7,018,710 metric tons (257.9 million bushels) for winter wheat and 2,191,390 metric tons (80.5 million bushels) for spring varieties - a total of 9,210,100 metric tons (338.4 million bushels) as compared with 14,053,770 metric tons (516.4 million bushels) for the 1962-63 crop year. Stocks in the hands of millers are estimated at 647,000 metric tons (23,773,000 bushels) and an additional 2,800,000 metric tons (102,881,000 bushels) are in storage in commercial positions. This substantial carryover will not however permit important exports of French wheat during the current crop year.

Rye Acreage sown to rye is 228,000 hectares (563,000 acres); forecast average yield 15.2 quintals per hectare (24.2 bushels per acre) and total production is estimated at 345,560 metric tons (13.6 million bushels).

New Prices Announced

On July 6, the French Government announced new schedules of cereal prices and guaranteed purchases (quantums) for the 1963-64 crop year. The new price ranges and quantums are only slightly higher than in the previous year and represent a serious effort by the French Government to limit price increases in the face of strong pressures from agricultural organizations. The new price ranges are linked to quality standards as summarized below.

Soft Wheat The new indicative price for soft wheat in the heaviest surplus area (Chartres) has been increased by 2 per cent from 44.63 to 45.52 francs per quintal (\$2.67 to \$2.72 per bushel). The quantum for soft wheat has been increased from 72 to 75 million quintals (264.6 to 275.6 million bushels). An increase of 4 million quintals (14,697,000 bushels) in the carryover is also authorized.

Quality standards:

Specific weight Humidity Tolerance

75 kilos (60 pounds per bushel) 16 per cent 0.5 per cent for foreign matter and 2.0

per cent for broken kernels.

Durums The indicative price for durums, triticum variety only, has been fixed at 55.39 francs per quintal (\$3.31 per bushel) for the Carcassonne region.

Quality standards:

Specific weight 78 kilos (62 pounds per bushel) Tolerance for other 20 per cent, of which not more than grain components 4 per cent may be soft wheat. Tolerance for other 0.5 per cent impurities

Rye The new indicative price for rye is 36.42 francs per quintal (\$2.03 per bushel) for the Orleans area. Quality standards:

Humidity 16 per cent

Specific weight 71 kilos (57 pounds per bushel) Tolerance 0.5 per cent for foreign matter and 2.0

per cent for broken kernels.

Wheat Imports Imports of durums and other wheat for the period January 1 to June 30, 1963, amounted to 180,658 metric tons (6,638,000 bushels) and 80,245 metric tons (2,948,000 bushels), respectively. The following table, extracted from French Customs Returns, summarizes the position:

French Wheat Imports - January 1 - June 30, 1963

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Countries	Durum	Soft
	- thousand	bushels -
Canada	1,557	646
United States	603	451
Argentina	3,156	395
Australia	-	32
Iraq	10	-
Jordan	79	-
Israel		1/
Britain	HUCCH-LIP O	955
Denmark	GILLE SALS	72
Syria	40	-
USSR	449	36
Belgium-Luxembourg	1	93
Algeria	_	8
Sweden		91
Morocco	415	- 100
Tunisia	328	GIE - III
Netherlands	-	170
Totals	6,638	2,948

^{1/} Less than 500 bushels.

Exports Slow

Trading was light in French cereal markets during July. 8,500 metric tons (312,000 bushels) of soft wheat were shipped from stocks to Portugal at a price of \$US. 98.00 per ton (US. \$2.67 per bushel) c.i.f. Some very small shipments of soft wheat were also moved to West Germany by barge at a price of \$US. 98.00 per ton (US. \$2.67 per bushel) c.i.f. Gologne. Feed barley is being offered for July delivery at \$US. 79.00 (US. \$1.72 per bushel) c.i.f. Duisburg and \$US. 80.50 c.i.f. (US. \$1.75 per bushel) Hamburg. Malt barley from the 1962 harvest is being booked at \$US. 82.50 (US. \$1.80 per bushel) f.o.b. Strasbourg and from the current crop year at \$US 83.50 (US. \$1.82 per bushel) c.i.f. Duisburg September delivery. Very substantial corn exports are foreseen. 4,000 tons (157,000 bushels) were shipped in July to Spain at a price of \$US. 66.00 (US. \$1.68 per bushel) franco Spanish border. French corn exporters are currently booking business by rail to Duisburg at DM 401 (\$2.76 per bushel) and to Hamburg at DM 406 per metric ton (\$2.79 per bushel) for August delivery. Some 980,000 hectares (2.4 million acres) have been sown to corn in France this year and yields are expected to be heavy.

Summary

Traders are awaiting more precise information on yields and qualities before committing themselves for the current crop year. The grain market has consequently been slow but will of course pick up as the statistical position becomes clearer. It is clear however, that the 1963 soft wheat harvest in France will barely meet local demand and there will be considerably reduced pressure on marketing authorities to move supplies of these grades into international channels. Prospects for the sale of Canadian durum are becoming more interesting in view of growing demand in France and recent unfavourable crop reports from North Africa. French efforts to produce hard wheat suitable for pastes have not as yet met with great success despite extensive subsidized plantings of the triticum variety in the Orleans and Carcassonne regions. It is expected however, that there will be substantial supplies of French coarse grains available for export within the next few months.

CROP SITUATION IN BRITAIN

The following account of the current crop situation and grain prices in Britain has been extracted from a report received from Mr. D.B. Laughton, Commercial Counsellor for Canada, London, under date of July 12, 1963 and is reproduced with the permission of the Trade Commissioner Service, Department of Trade and Commerce.

Weather conditions early in June were warm, dry and sunny, but in the latter half of the month temperatures dropped and rain was fairly widespread with some thunderstorms. Growing conditions were, on the whole, good.

The Ministry of Agriculture report for June states that all cereal crops made good progress, although local storms did some damage. In general, autumn-sown cereals have grown well and promise good yields, though many autumn-sown oats did not survive the winter. Spring-sown crops are more variable and are generally backward.

Wheat crops are fairly free from pests and diseases, but there are a number of reports of mildew and pest attacks on barley, whilst fritfly damage to oats is fairly common.

No estimates of probable yields were given in the Ministry report, probably because of the lateness of the season. The Financial Times estimates, however, that production may amount to 280 million bushels of barley, 102 million bushels of wheat and 98 million bushels of oats and mixed corn, making 480 million bushels in all (over 10 million long tons). It is now estimated that a

total of nearly 5 million acres of barley has been planted in Britain this season. When the March census was taken it was estimated that the total to be planted would not exceed 4.5 million acres, but delayed planting resulted in additional barley acreages, mainly at the expense of wheat. The wheat acreage is likely to be well below 2 million, whilst oats and mixed corn may reach 1.5 million.

Grain Stocks
Remaining Unsold
home-grown cereals indicate that about 3 per cent of the 1962
wheat crop, about 5.5 per cent of the 1962 barley crop and about
9 per cent of the 1962 oats crop remained unsold on farms at that time.

The table below shows the grain stocks unsold on farms on May 31, 1963, and in the two previous years at the same date.

	May 1961	May 1962 - million bushels -	May 1963
Wheat	7.8 (7.5%)	6.7 (7.5%)	3.7 (3%)
Barley	8.9 (5%)	5.1 (2.5%)	13.1 (5.5%)
0ats	8.5 (11%)	3.9 (6%)	5.9 (9%)

Wheat Deficiency The Ministry of Agriculture announced that deficiency payments for the fourth accounting period (March 1 - April 30) for the cereal year 1962-63 will be 90.5 cents per bushel. This represents the difference between the seasonal standard price of \$2.35 and the ascertained average price per bushel for 36.0 million bushels. The estimated cost of this payment is \$33 million.

The Ministry has now announced the guaranteed prices for the 1963 harvest, together with the seasonal standard prices. The guaranteed prices are:

Wheat	\$2.14	per	bushel
Barley	\$1.72	11	f f
Oats	\$1.26	††	11
Rve	\$0.98	11	8.8

For wheat the standard price will, as in former years, be converted on a rising scale of seasonal standard prices spread over five periods as follows:

July-September 1963	\$1.94	per	bushel
October-November 1963	\$2.07	11	11
December 1963-February 1964	\$2.19	11	11
March-April 1964	\$2.32	11	9.1
May-June 1964	\$2.36	11	11

Wheat and Barley Guide Prices This year for the first time a guide price for milling wheat has been issued in addition to the guide price for barley by the Working Party for Millable Wheat and Barley. The prices are as

follows:

Millable Wheat - fair average quality, August delivery, £20 per long ton ex-farm (\$1.62 per bushel)

Feeding Barley - fair average quality, 16 per cent moisture, July-August delivery, £19.10.0. per long ton ex-farm (\$1.26 per bushel)

These prices are issued as an "indicated value" based on comparable values of imported grains, and they are only given as a guide to farmers as to the probable worth of their crops. The Chairman of the Working Party described the prices recently as a bit of free market intelligence for the farmer.

CALENDAR OF WHEAT EVENTS

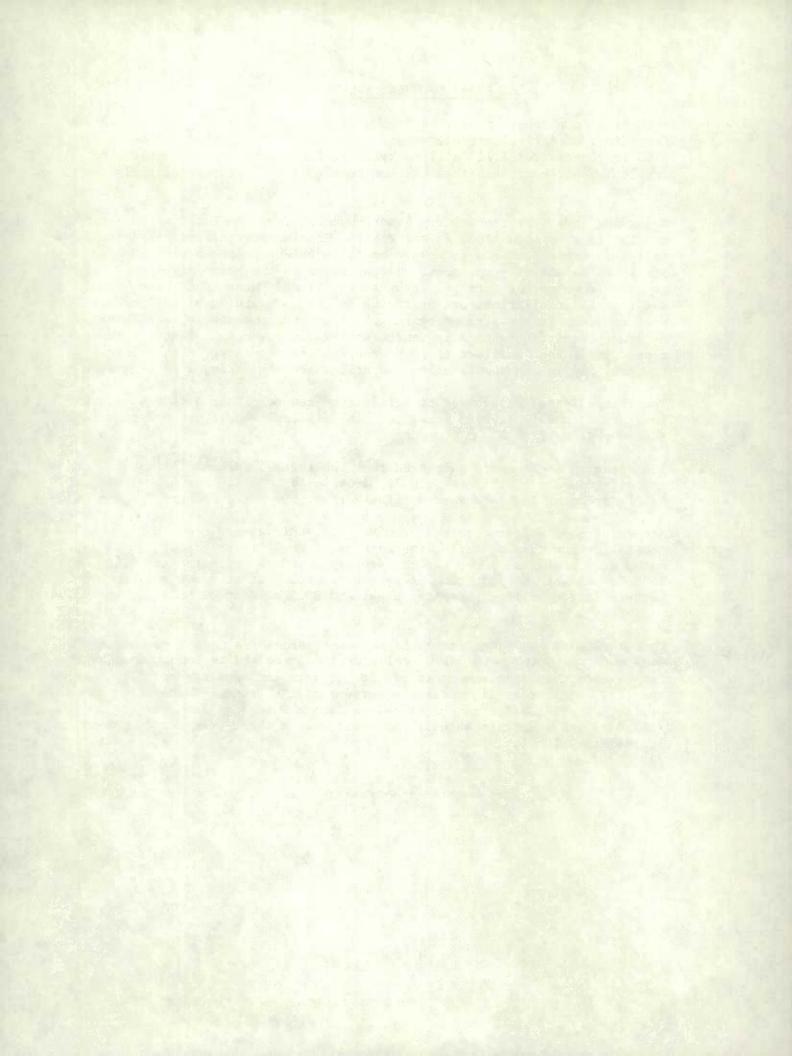
- According to a report published by the Crop Reporting Board, United States
 Department of Agriculture all wheat production in the United States in
 1963 is forecast at 1,111 million bushels, 2 per cent more than the 1962
 crop but 9 per cent less than the ten-year (1957-61) average of 1,225
 million.
 - According to a Telegraphic Crop Report published by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics crop conditions in the Prairie Provinces were summarized as follows: Crops continue to make good to excellent progress over most areas in the Prairie Provinces. Recent rains in the Peace River area have provided some relief from the drought conditions. Most crops have headed and in earlier districts are beginning to fill. Swathing of fall rye is well underway in southern districts and about to commence in later areas. Moisture conditions generally remain satisfactory and some districts now report sufficient moisture to carry the crop to maturity. With drier weather, haying and summerfallow operations are now making good progress.

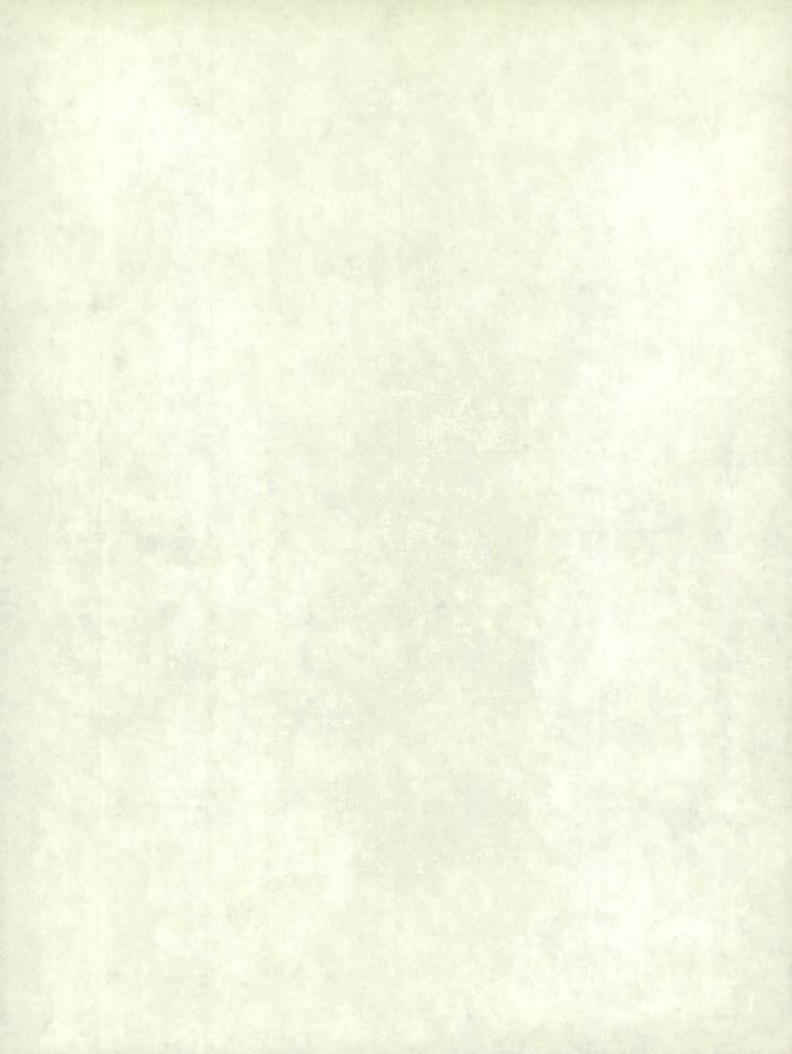
The United States Department of Agriculture reported that all wheat stocks in storage on July 1, 1963 totalled 1,189 million bushels, 10 per cent less than a year earlier.

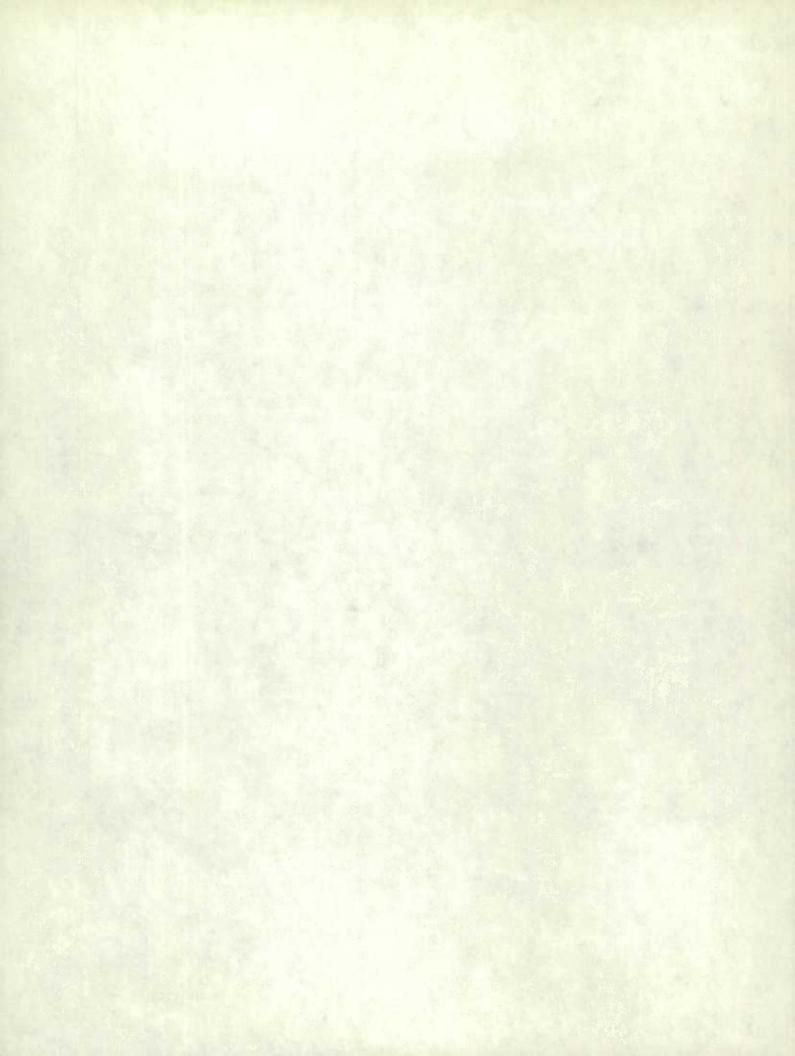
The Canadian Wheat Board announced that the initial payment for wheat, effective August 1, 1963 to July 31, 1964 would be \$1.50 per bushel, basis No. 1 Northern, in store Fort William-Port Arthur or Vancouver.

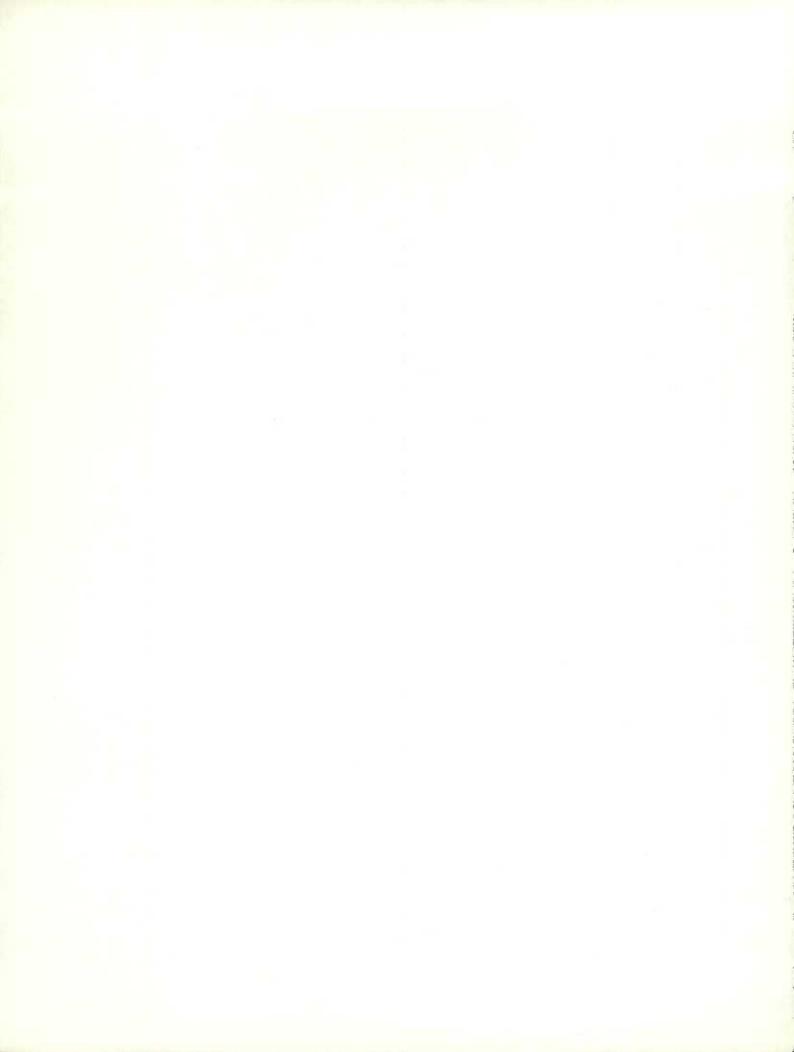
According to a report received from Mr. A.G. Kniewasser, Commercial Counsellor for Canada, Paris, the acreage of wheat in France is now estimated at 9.3 million acres and the average yield is estimated at 36.4 bushels per acre. Production, therefore, is forecast at 338.4 million bushels (257.9 million of winter wheat and 80.5 million of spring-sown varieties).

August 2
The Canadian Wheat Board announced the conclusion of a Long Term Wheat Agreement with the China National Cereals, Oils and Foodstuffs Import and Export Corporation. This Agreement is similar in form to the agreement signed on April 22, 1961, that is, under the Agreement, the Chinese Corporation has declared its intention to purchase from Canada 3 to 5 million long tons (112.0 to 186.7 million bushels) of wheat over a three-year period, August 1, 1963 to July 31, 1966.









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