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# WORLD WHEAT SITUATION

## Wheat Exports Continue Above 1963-64 Record

Total exports of wheat (including flour in terms of wheat) from the four traditional major exporters during the August-February period of the current crop year, amounted to 1,058.1 million bushels, exceeding by 5 per cent the previous record total of 1,005.5 million exported during the same seven months in 1963-64 and 30 per cent more than the 816.1 million shipped during the comparable period last year. In addition, this year's August-February exports of wheat and flour were sharply above the ten-year (1954-55—1963-64) average shipments for the same period of the crop year, of some 606.8 million bushels. Although wheat shipments from each of the four major countries, United States, Canada, Argentina and Australia were at higher levels this year than last, exports from Canada recorded the largest increase of some 89.8 million bushels.

## Exports of Wheat and Flour in Terms of Wheat, August 1965-February 1966 with Comparisons

August-February	United States	Canada	Argentina	Australia	Total
million bushels					
1950-51 .....	160.2	119.6	42.6	70.0	392.4
1951-52 .....	280.4	177.6	23.8	56.2	538.0
1952-53 .....	197.7	207.8	3.2	45.9	454.6
1953-54 .....	111.0	152.7	69.2	34.7	367.6
1954-55 .....	154.8	152.3	78.2	53.9	439.2
1955-56 .....	145.2	138.9	72.8	48.6	405.5
1956-57 .....	300.7	160.6	51.2	81.9	594.4
1957-58 .....	224.8	173.4	42.1	42.8	483.1
1958-59 .....	254.5	165.9	52.4	43.9	516.7
1959-60 .....	256.3	170.0	31.0	69.3	526.6
1960-61 .....	374.1	177.4	46.7	87.9	686.1
1961-62 .....	413.2	220.6	34.5	125.8	794.1
1962-63 .....	312.2	188.9	37.0 (1)	78.9	617.0 (1)
1963-64 .....	476.4	320.9	53.9 (1)	154.3	1,005.5 (1)
1964-65 (1) .....	378.9	238.9	85.3	113.0	816.1
1965-66 (2) .....	448.9	328.7	160.3	120.2	1,058.1

(1) Revised.

(2) Preliminary.

## Wheat Supplies of Four Major Exporters Below Previous Year

Supplies of wheat held by the four traditional major exporters at March 1, 1966 for export and for carryover at the end of their respective crop years amounted to 1,897.3 million bushels compared with 2,283.2 million at the same time a year ago. Although supplies were larger in Canada this increase was more than offset by declines in the totals for United States, Argentina and Australia. Supplies at March 1, 1966, in millions of bushels, were held as follows, with last year's comparable figures in brackets: United States, 940.1 (1,098.9); Canada, 712.3 (673.7); Argentina, 101.4 (278.4); and Australia, 143.5 (232.2).

1965 World Breadgrain  
Production Down Slightly

According to the March 1966 edition of World Agricultural Production and Trade, published by the United States Department of Agriculture world breadgrain production in 1965 was at a near-record level, far exceeding the 1955-59 average and only 7 million metric tons below the 1964 record crop of 285 million tons, according to the third estimate of Foreign Agricultural Service. Despite declines in acreage of both wheat and rye in some regions, world acreage planted was the second largest on record. Weather was favourable for unusually high yields in many countries of the Northern Hemisphere.

World production of wheat is estimated at 9,000 million bushels compared with the record 9,300 million bushels in 1964, and 8,300 million in 1963. Record crops were harvested in North America, Europe and Asia.

However, pronounced declines occurred in the crops of the USSR and Communist China, and the Southern Hemisphere, where drought restricted acreages and sharply reduced yields per acre.

North American countries produced a record 2,083-million-bushel wheat crop, up 125 million bushels from the year before. Acreage was near the 1964 level, and average yields per acre increased again.

The year generally was good for wheat production in Europe. Exceptionally high yields harvested per acre in several countries resulted in record output in both Western and Eastern Europe. In the European Economic Community, however, only France and Italy, the two largest producers, had increases in production. Production of West Germany declined 16 per cent as a result of prolonged cold, wet weather. The crops of Belgium and the Netherlands were moderately below 1964, but well above average.

Western Europe's acreage increased about 1 per cent, or 600,000 acres, over the preceding year. Although the acreage of Eastern Europe declined about 1 million acres, favourable conditions increased wheat production 16 per cent over 1964.

Asia also produced a record wheat crop; India, Pakistan and Japan had bumper harvests. However, in Mainland China, weather was unfavourable for winter wheat, and total production was well below 1964.

Wheat production in Southern Hemisphere countries was seriously affected by drought. Argentina's output dropped to between 50 and 60 per cent of the bumper harvest of 1964, and Australia's production declined 30 per cent from the preceding year's record crop. South Africa's production was also reduced by lack of rainfall.

Production in the five principal exporting countries — the U.S., Canada, Australia, Argentina, and France — is estimated at 3,032 million bushels (82.5 million metric tons) compared with 3,183 million bushels (86.6 million) in 1964. Declines in the harvests of Australia and Argentina more than offset increases in the Northern countries.



International Wheat Council  
Cumulative Totals of Commercial Purchases by Importing Countries from Exporting Countries  
Crop Year 1965-66--Through February 26, 1966

Importing Countries	EXPORTING COUNTRIES								Total Purchases
	Canada	Argentina	Australia	France	Italy	Mexico	Sweden	U.S.A.	
	thousand bushels								
Austria .....	1,087	-	-	548	-	-	6	-	1,641
Belgium & Luxembourg .....	10,631	72	-	2,558	-	-	6	5,787	19,054
Brazil .....	-	21,863	-	-	-	-	-	19,941	41,804
Costa Rica .....	810	-	12	78	-	-	-	430	1,330
Cuba .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dominican Republic .....	255	-	-	-	-	-	-	896	1,151
Ecuador .....	585	-	-	-	-	-	-	115	700
El Salvador .....	454	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,150	1,604
Finland .....	378	-	-	5	-	-	3	224	610
Germany, Federal Republic ..	22,592	763	227	2,743	15	-	1,130	12,415	39,885
Greece .....	17	-	-	-	3	-	-	326	346
Guatemala .....	170	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,528	1,698
Iceland .....	-	-	-	120	-	-	-	120	240
India .....	1	-	2	3	-	-	-	3,585	3,591
Ireland .....	1,377	-	2,553	1,265	-	-	-	751	5,946
Israel .....	468	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,915	2,383
Japan .....	35,586	-	8,676	1	-	-	-	49,230	93,493
Korea .....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	801	801
Liberia .....	134	-	-	-	-	-	-	18	152
Libya .....	-	-	6	73	701	-	-	1	781
Netherlands .....	3,734	509	-	2,675	-	-	-	36,972	43,890
Netherlands Territories ..	189	-	-	21	-	-	-	530	740
New Zealand .....	-	-	4,541	-	-	-	-	-	4,541
Nigeria .....	304	-	-	1	-	-	-	3,119	3,424
Norway .....	1,576	371	1,505	1,423	-	-	1,400	4,026	10,301
Peru .....	214	7,566	1	-	-	-	-	5,085	12,866
Philippines .....	2,241	-	31	592	82	-	-	10,658	13,604
Portugal .....	28	-	-	2,041	-	-	-	2,919	4,988
Portuguese Territories ..	162	441	595	52	-	-	-	166	1,416
Saudi Arabia .....	230	-	1,106	59	8	-	-	4,088	5,491
Sierra Leone .....	295	-	-	10	-	-	-	91	396
South Africa .....	-	-	1,867	-	-	-	-	3,733	5,600
Southern Rhodesia .....	10	-	1,168	-	-	-	-	246	1,424
Switzerland .....	8,587	294	9	3,564	2	-	51	4,238	16,745
Tunisia .....	-	-	-	32	-	-	-	-	32
United Arab Republic .....	-	-	2,102	2,954	3,891	8,818	-	2,108	19,873
United Kingdom .....	80,278	3,026	21,814	7,824	-	-	298	30,242	143,482
U.K. Territories .....	3,373	-	4,034	621	-	-	-	1,876	9,904
Vatican City .....	-	373	-	-	-	-	-	-	373
Venezuela .....	7,424	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,434	17,858
Western Samoa .....	-	-	195	-	-	-	-	-	195
To Orders .....	-	14,974	-	-	-	-	1,837	-	16,811
Totals .....	183,190	50,252	50,444	29,263	4,702	8,818	4,731	219,764	551,164
Percentage of Total Sales by Exporting Countries ....	33.24	9.11	9.14	5.30	0.88	1.60	0.86	39.87	100.00

NOTE: Spain - no sales reported.

Mexico - quantities cover period ending January 6, 1966.

Argentina - quantities cover period ending January 28, 1966.

France - quantities cover period ending December 31, 1965.

Italy - quantities cover period ending February 5, 1966.

U.S.S.R. - exemption granted.

# CANADIAN SITUATION

## 1965-66 Wheat Supplies Only 2 Per Cent Below Record Level

With increases occurring in both opening stocks and production, total supplies of Canadian wheat for the 1965-66 crop year are estimated at 1,190.9 million bushels, an increase of 12 per cent over the 1,059.9 million of the previous year and only slightly less than the record total of 1,210.7 million bushels in 1963-64. This year's total supplies consist of 513.0 million bushels carried over from the previous year, as against the August 1, 1964 figure of 459.4 million, and the 1965 crop estimated at 677.9 million bushels or 13 per cent more than the 600.4 million harvested in 1964. After deducting some 150.0 million bushels for anticipated domestic requirements, supplies available for export and for carry-over during 1965-66 amount to 1,040.9 million bushels, exceeding by a margin of 14 per cent the 1964-65 comparable figure of 912.6 million.

## August-February Exports Highest on Record

Exports of wheat and flour in terms of wheat equivalent reached the unprecedented total of 328.7 million bushels during the August-February period of the current Canadian crop year. This volume surpasses by some 2 per cent the previous high of 320.9 million exported during the same months of the 1963-64 crop year and exceeds by 38 per cent the 238.9 million shipped during the same period a year ago. This year's August-February total consisted of 308.2 million bushels of wheat in bulk, 421 thousand of seed wheat and 20.1 million of flour in terms of wheat. During the comparable period of last year these figures were 221.3 million of wheat in bulk, 572 thousand of seed wheat and 17.1 million of flour in terms of wheat equivalent. The balance remaining on March 1, 1966 for export and for carryover amounted to 712.3 million bushels, and exceeded by 6 per cent the March 1, 1965 total of 673.7 million.

## Canadian Wheat Supplies

Item	1964-65(1)	1965-66(2)
Carryover in North America at beginning of crop year	million bushels	
(August 1) .....	459.4	513.0 (3)
Production .....	600.4	677.9
Imports of wheat for domestic use, August-February ....	(4)	(4)
Total estimated supplies .....	1,059.9	1,190.9
Less estimated domestic requirements for crop year ....	147.3	150.0
Available for export and for carryover .....	912.6	1,040.9
Deduct:		
Exports of wheat in bulk, August-February (5) .....	221.3	308.2
Exports of bagged seed wheat, August-February (6) ...	0.6	0.4
Total exports of wheat as grain .....	221.8	308.6
Exports of wheat flour in terms of wheat, August-February (6) .....	17.1	20.1
Total exports of wheat and wheat flour .....	238.9	328.7
Balance on March 1 for export and for carryover .....	673.7	712.3

(1) Subject to revision. (2) Preliminary. (3) Revised. (4) Less than 50,000 bushels. (5) As reported by the Board of Grain Commissioners. (6) Customs returns, 1964-65 adjusted for time lag.



Visible Supplies      The total visible supply of Canadian wheat at March 23, 1966, at 298.0 million bushels, was 12 per cent less than the 1965 comparable total of 337.1 million and was 16 per cent below the 1964 figure of 353.3 million. Country elevator stocks amounting to 182.3 million bushels, were below the 183.1 million at March 24, 1965 and the 205.3 million at the same date in 1964. This year's supplies in country elevators at March 23 accounted for 61 per cent of the total visible wheat supply compared with the 1965 and 1964 corresponding percentages of 54 per cent and 58 per cent, respectively. Wheat stocks at interior terminals totalled only 0.8 million bushels as against both the 1965 and 1964 comparable levels of 4.8 million and 5.6 million bushels, respectively. Wheat stocks "in transit rail" (western division) amounted to 11.5 million bushels, above the 8.3 million of a year ago but below the 18.7 million two years ago. Supplies at the Canadian Lakehead, totalling some 56.3 million bushels, were 13 per cent less than the 64.4 million at March 24, 1965 and 15 per cent below the 66.0 million at the same date in 1964. Stocks in "storage afloat" amounted to 4.8 million bushels and registered a decrease from both the 1965 comparable total of 12.7 million and the 1964 figure of 10.4 million. The 9.2 million bushels in Bay, Lake and Upper St. Lawrence ports, were below both the 17.8 million a year ago and the 9.7 million two years ago. Supplies in Lower St. Lawrence and Maritime ports, at March 23, 1966 at 14.3 million bushels were 30 per cent below the 1965 total of 20.5 million but 6 per cent above the 1964 volume of 13.4 million bushels. The 8.7 million bushels in West Coast ports (Vancouver-New Westminster, Prince Rupert and Victoria) were lower than both the 9.5 million of the previous year and the total of 8.8 million in these positions in 1964.

February 1966 Exports of  
Wheat and Flour Total  
26.1 Million Bushels

Combined exports of wheat in bulk, bagged seed wheat and wheat flour in terms of grain equivalent amounted to 26.1 million bushels during February 1966. This volume, while below last month's total of 28.0 million, was above both the ten-year (1955-64) February average of 21.8 million and the February 1965 figure of 21.1 million. Exports of wheat in bulk (as reported by the Board of Grain Commissioners) during February 1966 totalled 23.5 million bushels, unchanged from the previous month, 30 per cent above the ten-year average for the month of February of 18.1 million and 22 per cent more than the February 1965 total of 19.3 million bushels. Based on Canadian Customs returns, the equivalent of 2.6 million bushels of wheat was exported in the form of flour during February 1966, 43 per cent below the previous month but considerably larger than the February 1965 adjusted figure of 1.6 million.

Cumulative exports of wheat in bulk during the August-February period of the current crop year amounted to an all-time high of 308.2 million bushels, some 39 per cent higher than the comparable 1964-65 total of 221.3 million, an increase of 7 per cent over the previous 1963-64 record of 288.0 million and sharply above the ten-year average for the period of 162.9 million. This year's shipments of wheat to the U.S.S.R. (Russia) totalled some 111.1 million bushels and accounted for 36 per cent of the seven-month total exports of wheat in bulk form. Shipments of wheat to Britain amounted to 42.3 million and accounted for 14 per cent of the August-February 1965-66 total. During the same period of 1964-65 shipments to Britain amounted to 44.6 million and accounted for 20 per cent of the August-February total. Other principal markets for Canadian wheat in bulk during the first seven 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:

Communist China, 36.3 (33.9); Japan, 27.0 (27.4); Federal Republic of Germany, 14.0 (13.8); Belgium and Luxembourg, 7.9 (10.2); Poland, 7.7 (14.7); Czechoslovakia, 7.5 (18.7); India, 7.2 (3.2); Cuba, 6.4 (3.6); Venezuela, 5.1 (6.0); and East Germany, 5.0 (7.4).

Cumulative exports of bagged seed wheat during August-February of the current crop year, based on Canadian Customs returns, amounted to 421 thousand bushels compared with last year's corresponding total (adjusted to remove time lag) of 572 thousand.

Cumulative exports of wheat flour during the first seven months of the 1965-66 crop year, based on Customs returns, were the equivalent of 20.1 million bushels, an increase of 18 per cent over the adjusted August 1964-February 1965 total of 17.1 million bushels. The leading markets for Canadian wheat flour in terms of wheat equivalent during the August-February period of the 1965-66 crop year, with revised data for the same months of the preceding crop year in brackets, were as follows, in thousands of bushels: Cuba, 6,341 (2,086); Britain, 5,598 (5,803); Jamaica, 976 (944); Trinidad and Tobago, 842 (777); Costa Rica, 623 (538); Leeward and Windward Islands, 601 (559); United States, 575 (528); Ghana, 560 (1,092); Ceylon, 499 (438); U.S.S.R. (Russia), 432 (1,355); and Hong Kong, 417 (450).

Revised Wheat Agreement  
With China

On April 5, 1966, the Canadian Wheat Board issued the following press release:

"On October 28, 1965, The Canadian Wheat Board announced the conclusion of a new three-year agreement with the China National Cereals, Oils and Foodstuffs Import and Export Corporation covering the sale of from 112.0 to 186.7 million bushels of Canadian Wheat between August 1st, 1966, and July 31st, 1969. At the same time it was announced that, prior to May 1st, 1966, both parties would give consideration to increasing the quantities involved over the three years, or alternatively to extending both the period and quantities covered by the Agreement.

Negotiations have recently been held in Hong Kong between the two parties and agreement has been reached to increase the quantities of Wheat to be shipped from Canada over the three-year period, August 1st, 1966 to July 31st, 1969, from a minimum of 168 million bushels to a maximum of 280 million bushels.

The Board is pleased to announce that the first contract under the revised Agreement has now been signed. It calls for the sale to China of 59.7 million bushels of Wheat during the first five months of the new crop year, August through December, 1966. Of this quantity, 37.3 million bushels will be shipped from Pacific Coast ports and 22.4 million bushels from St. Lawrence River/Atlantic ports. The grades concerned will be predominantly No. 4 Northern and No. 5 Wheat, with limited quantities of No. 3 Northern and Durum Wheat.

As in previous sales contracts, payment terms will be 25 per cent cash when each vessel is loaded, and 75 per cent payable in 18 months, with interest. The deferred payment portion is made possible by a guarantee to The Canadian Wheat Board by the Government of Canada."



General Quota Position By March 28, 1966 out of a total of 1,908 shipping points in the western division, the Canadian Wheat Board had placed 504 points on a delivery quota of 8 bushels per specified acre, 577 points on a 6-bushel quota and 468 points on a 5-bushel quota. Of the remainder, 330 points were on a 4-bushel quota and 18 points on a 3-bushel quota. Only 11 stations were reported as "closed".

Summary of Elevator Shipping Points in the Western Division  
as at March 28, 1966

Province	General Quota in Bushels Per Specified Acre					Closed	Total
	Three	Four	Five	Six	Eight		
Ontario .....	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Manitoba .....	3	37	42	134	123	4	343
Saskatchewan .....	15	189	333	332	158	5	1,032
Alberta .....	-	104	93	111	217	2	527
British Columbia .....	-	-	-	-	5	-	5
All Provinces .....	18	330	468	577	504	11	1,908

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 seven months of the current crop year totalled 28.0 million bushels compared with the August 1964-February 1965 figure of 22.5 million.

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

Origin of Shipment	August 1, 1964- February 28, 1965	August 1, 1965- February 28, 1966
	bushels	
Port McNicoll .....	5,551,014	8,207,364
Midland, Tiffin .....	6,688,790	9,893,286
Collingwood .....	581,750	1,210,244
Owen Sound .....	3,953,148	4,219,887
Goderich .....	2,651,594	1,069,069
Sarnia .....	1,686,755	1,884,964
Port Colborne .....	1,281,868	1,336,126
Peterborough .....	-	206,211
Walkerville .....	144,399	-
Totals .....	22,539,318	28,027,151



Area Intended  
for Wheat 1966

Canadian farmers intend to plant 29.6 million acres to all classes of wheat in 1966 according to plans as of March 1. This area is 5 per cent more than the 28.3 million acres seeded in 1965, but slightly smaller than the record 29.7 million acres seeded in 1964. The oats acreage is expected to remain unchanged at 9.6 million acres. The area seeded to barley is expected to increase by 18 per cent and total 7.1 million compared with 6.0 million in 1965. Mixed grain acreage may total 1.6 million some 4 per cent larger than the previous year and corn for grain acreage, forecast at a record 780,000 is 4 per cent larger than in 1965. A decrease is expected in the area seeded to rapeseed as farmers intend to plant 1,368,000 acres to this crop in 1966, compared to a record 1,435,000 planted in 1965. Flaxseed acreage, forecast at 2.1 million is some 5 per cent less than the previous year. Soybean acreage, forecast at a record 275,000 acres is 4 per cent larger than in the previous year and marks the fifth consecutive increase.

Intended Acreage of Spring Wheat in Canada, as at March 1, 1966  
Compared with Acreages in 1965

Province	Acreage Seeded in 1965 (1)	Acreage Intended to be Seeded in 1966		
		Per Cent of 1965	Area 1966 (1)	Indicated Change
	acres		acres	acres
Prince Edward Island .....	3,800	100	3,800	unchanged
Nova Scotia .....	1,200	100	1,200	unchanged
New Brunswick .....	6,000	105	6,300	+ 300
Quebec .....	12,200	100	12,200	unchanged
Ontario .....	14,000	90	12,600	- 1,400
Manitoba .....	3,240,000	104	3,370,000	+ 130,000
Saskatchewan .....	18,500,000	105	19,500,000	+ 1,000,000
Alberta .....	6,050,000	102	6,200,000	+ 150,000
British Columbia .....	93,000	108	100,000	+ 7,000
Totals .....	27,920,200	105	29,206,100	+ 1,285,900

(1) For provinces other than Ontario includes relatively small acreages of winter wheat for which annual estimates are not available.

The 29.6 million acres to be seeded to all classes of wheat will represent an increase of 5 per cent from the 1965 seedings and 2.8 million acres or 11 per cent above the 1960-64 average. However, at this level the acreage is slightly below the 1964 record of 29.7 million acres. In Manitoba the increase in acreage may be 4 per cent, in Saskatchewan 5 per cent and in Alberta 2 per cent.

Prospective plantings of spring wheat, including durum, at 29.2 million acres, are up 5 per cent from the 1965 acreage and 11 per cent above the 1960-64 average. Durum wheat acreage is expected to increase by 10 per cent and if the acreage intentions are carried out, Prairie farmers will plant 920,000 acres to this crop compared with 840,000 grown in 1965 and the 1960-64 average of 2,055,400 acres. Spring wheat acreage excluding durum may total 28.3 million in 1966 compared with 27.1 million planted in 1965 and the 1960-64 average of 24.2 million. The 410,000 acres seeded to winter wheat last fall is larger than the harvested area of the previous year.

Intended Acreage of Spring Wheat (1) in the Prairie Provinces  
As at March 1, 1966, Compared with Estimated Acreage 1965

Crop	Manitoba		Saskatchewan		Alberta		Prairie Provinces	
	1965	1966	1965	1966	1965	1966	1965	1966
	thousand acres							
Wheat, all spring .....	3,240	3,370	18,500	19,500	6,050	6,200	27,790	29,070
Durum .....	40	45	725	800	75	75	840	920
Other spring .....	3,200	3,325	17,775	18,700	5,975	6,125	26,950	28,150

(1) Includes a relatively small acreage of winter wheat.

Farmers' Marketings (1) of Wheat in the Prairie Provinces 1965-66

Week Ending	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	Total	Last Year (2)
bushels					
August 1 - 11, 1965 ...	72,373	307,415	32,092	411,880	583,409
18 .....	58,125	171,644	99,666	329,435	717,218
25 .....	531,497	1,248,691	299,652	2,079,840	2,153,973
September 1 .....	582,609	2,681,424	581,410	3,845,443	2,532,451
8 .....	243,029	2,073,379	639,041	2,955,449	3,246,274
15 .....	508,944	4,387,021	610,973	5,506,938	6,599,071
22 .....	364,600	2,366,634	384,426	3,115,660	18,121,700
29 .....	769,182	1,845,073	513,968	3,128,223	16,301,510
October 6 .....	2,277,366	3,985,118	2,047,455	8,309,939	11,145,643
13 .....	4,037,753	9,938,485	4,877,036	18,853,274	15,100,572
20 .....	2,622,535	14,354,967	4,871,472	21,848,974	19,356,199
27 .....	1,999,638	10,383,566	3,323,365	15,706,569	16,550,913
November 3 .....	1,585,786	7,128,714	2,309,350	11,023,850	13,016,334
10 .....	2,379,134	9,236,326	2,222,102	13,837,562	12,801,440
17 .....	2,142,387	8,381,642	1,815,821	12,339,850	11,583,131
24 .....	2,063,870	8,267,245	1,912,400	12,243,515	12,173,348
December 1 .....	1,893,856	9,344,779	1,893,792	13,132,427	8,805,335
8 .....	2,483,454	10,370,729	2,936,028	15,790,211	8,634,551
15 .....	2,826,634	13,347,318	3,310,970	19,484,922	20,300,443
22 .....	2,724,598	13,372,399	3,969,470	20,066,467	8,686,749
29 .....	1,803,602	8,593,690	2,848,423	13,245,715	4,066,001
January 5, 1966....	832,437	6,310,526	1,067,977	8,210,940	7,745,949
12 .....	232,352	2,050,378	816,703	3,099,433	3,738,001
19 .....	751,276	1,402,910	3,381,590	5,535,776	9,940,148
26 .....	749,247	2,788,527	1,539,695	5,077,469	20,007,935
February 2 .....	264,993	1,263,054	656,558	2,184,605	4,384,418
9 .....	1,687,263	2,253,553	3,591,616	7,532,432	3,239,560
16 .....	1,419,621	4,840,812	3,352,247	9,612,680	4,671,139
23 .....	277,367	2,681,228	1,724,409	4,683,004	5,927,571
March 2 .....	870,199	2,130,966	2,915,506	5,916,671	4,765,012
9 .....	829,571	4,594,471	2,625,770	8,049,812	7,281,585
16 .....	641,411	3,213,908	2,708,702	6,564,021	7,877,824
23 .....	1,555,971	4,542,060	2,607,889	8,705,920	4,062,649
Totals .....	44,082,680	179,858,652	68,487,574	292,428,906	296,118,056
Average similar period:					
1954-55-1963-64 .....	22,447,388	122,586,742	56,283,176	201,317,306	

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

(2) Revised.



Visible Supply of Canadian Wheat, March 23, 1966  
Compared with Approximately the Same Date, 1964 and 1965

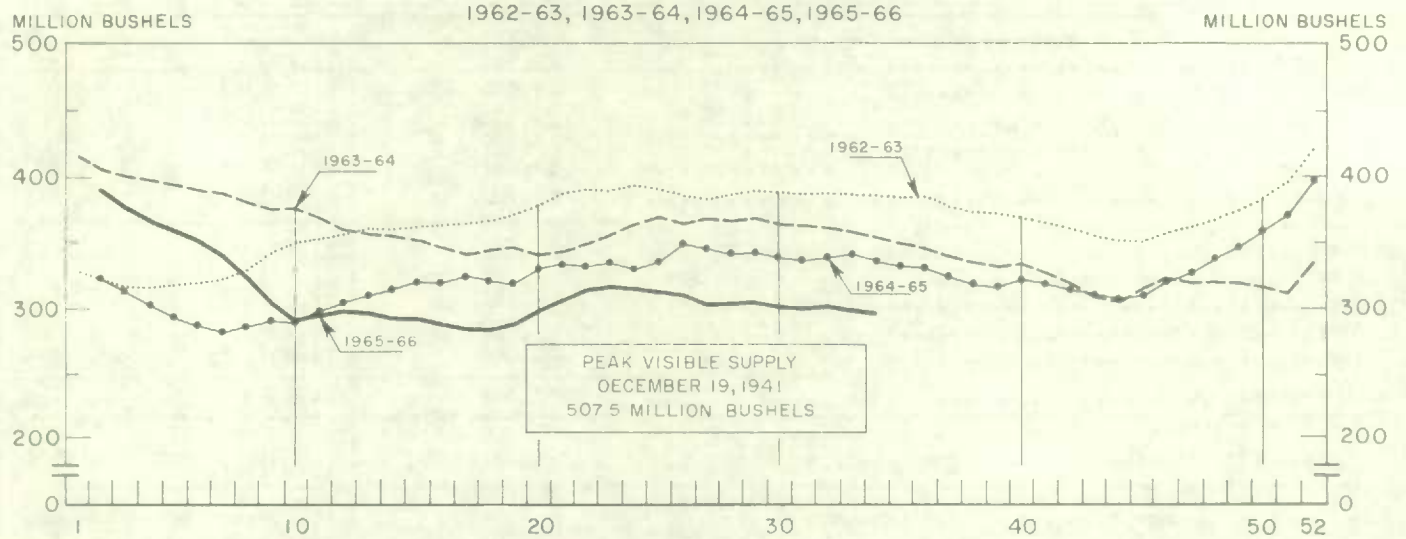
Position	1964	1965	1966
	thousand bushels		
Country elevators - Manitoba .....	20,266	22,208	19,410
Saskatchewan .....	126,204	102,294	109,513
Alberta .....	58,819	58,639	53,395
Totals .....	205,289	183,140	182,318
Interior private and mill .....	7,715	7,518	6,627
Interior terminals .....	5,565	4,811	765
Vancouver-New Westminster .....	7,786	8,805	7,612
Victoria.....	499	252	514
Prince Rupert .....	551	400	526
Churchill .....	4,759	4,700	824
Fort William-Port Arthur .....	66,047	64,447	56,274
In transit rail (western division) .....	18,690	8,287	11,494
Bay, Lake and Upper St. Lawrence ports .....	9,744	17,811	9,157
Lower St. Lawrence and Maritime ports .....	13,413	20,509	14,283
Storage afloat .....	10,409	12,732	4,838
In transit rail (eastern division) .....	2,835	3,702	2,750
Totals .....	353,303	337,113	297,982

Grading of Wheat Inspected, August 1965-February 1966 with Comparisons

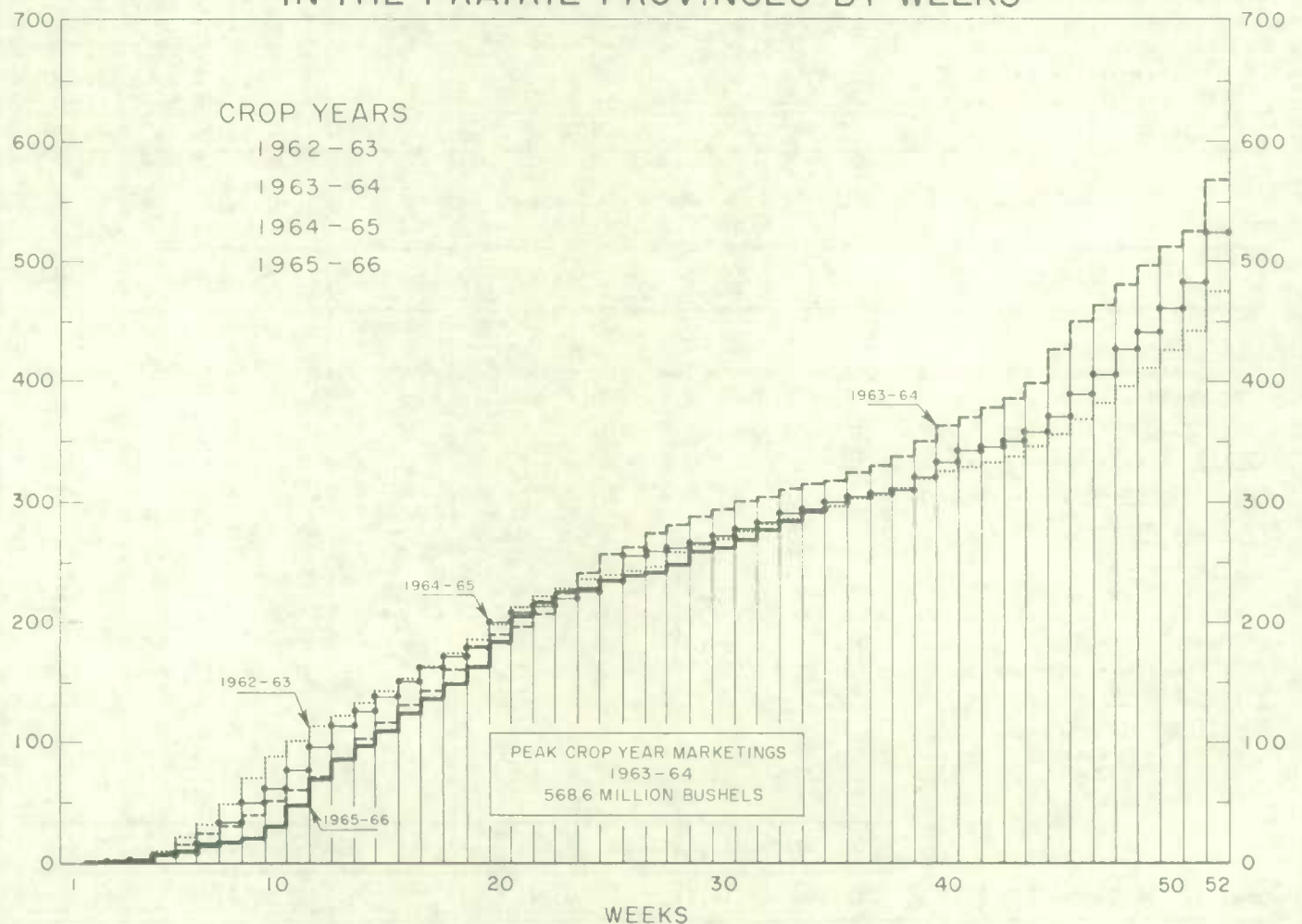
Grade	Crop Year		August-February			
	Average 1959-60 ----- 1963-64	1964-65	1964-65		1965-66	
	per cent	per cent	cars	per cent	cars	per cent
No. 1 Man. Northern .....	8.2	2.4	4,709	2.9	2,804	1.6
No. 2 Man. Northern .....	41.5	34.0	65,638	40.9	43,565	24.5
No. 3 Man. Northern .....	22.1	22.0	39,047	24.3	43,989	24.7
No. 4 Man. Northern .....	8.1	8.6	11,992	7.5	30,044	16.9
No. 5 Wheat .....	3.7	5.7	5,601	3.5	6,293	3.5
No. 6 Wheat .....	0.5	0.6	831	0.5	144	0.1
Feed Wheat .....	(1)	(1)	20	(1)	4	(1)
Others Red Spring .....	8.6	18.9	25,527	15.9	42,568	23.9
C.W. Garnet .....	0.2	0.1	169	0.1	14	(1)
C.W. White Spring .....	0.1	0.1	173	0.1	84	(1)
C.W. Mixed Wheat .....	(1)	(1)	84	0.1	82	(1)
Alberta Winter .....	0.4	0.5	1,026	0.6	534	0.3
Nos. 1-6 C.W. Amber Durum ..	6.3	6.6	5,352	3.3	7,406	4.2
Others C.W. Amber Durum ....	0.2	0.4	401	0.2	631	0.4
Totals .....	100.0	100.0	160,570	100.0	178,162	100.0
Gross bushels (approx.) .....			310,931,000		343,286,000	
(1) Less than .05 per cent.						



# WEEKLY VISIBLE SUPPLY OF CANADIAN WHEAT



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



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

Rail Shipments of Wheat from Fort William-Port Arthur, 1962-63-1965-66

Month	1962-63	1963-64	1964-65	1965-66
bushels				
August .....	13,933	5,500	7,786	10,458
September .....	11,657	9,104	19,564	10,500
October .....	22,716	25,355	12,135	4,500
November .....	12,024	13,500	13,167	10,205
December .....	12,778	23,047	26,961	7,500
January .....	39,534	58,772	10,703	46,108
February .....	22,967	28,768	17,214	26,712
March .....	86,398	21,268	112,296	
April .....	69,067	26,063	17,506	
May .....	11,851	7,941	8,207	
June .....	15,746	20,518	4,965	
July .....	11,158	12,707	13,872	
Totals .....	329,829	252,543	264,376	

Distribution of Rail Shipments of Wheat from Fort William-Port Arthur, February, 1966

Grade	Newfoundland	Prince Edward Island	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario
bushels					
5 Wheat .....	1,500	-	1,500	2,833	1,500
6 Wheat .....	-	-	-	1,333	-
Tough .....	-	4,500	7,500	-	-
Rejected .....	-	-	1,500	-	-
Durum .....	-	-	1,546	-	-
Others .....	-	-	3,000	-	-
Totals .....	1,500	4,500	15,046	4,166	1,500

Overseas Exports of Canadian Grain by Ports of Loading, August 1, 1965-March 23, 1966  
with Comparisons

Port	Wheat (1)	Durum Wheat (1)	Oats (1)	Barley	Rye	Flaxseed	Rapeseed
thousand bushels							
<u>Pacific Seaboard</u>							
Van.-New Westminster .....	93,714	1,984	6,976	12,409	2,663	4,532	7,266
Victoria .....	7,462	-	-	-	-	-	-
Prince Rupert .....	10,057	-	-	-	-	-	-
<u>Churchill</u> .....	24,291	-	-	-	-	-	-
<u>Lakehead Direct</u> .....	3,055	520	2,888	1,796	513	5,183	677
<u>Prescott Direct</u> .....	380	-	-	-	10	-	-
<u>St. Lawrence</u>							
Montreal .....	55,603	9,058	484	1,814	140	378	101
Sorel .....	20,005	2,810	230	-	49	80	-
Three Rivers .....	16,204	2,229	-	-	-	-	-
Quebec .....	10,244	903	-	-	-	256	-
Baie Comeau .....	34,072	3,123	-	-	-	-	-
<u>Maritime</u>							
Saint John .....	1,786	-	-	-	-	-	-
West Saint John .....	17,475	1,564	66	-	-	867	-
Halifax .....	12,421	36	-	-	-	491	-
Totals .....	306,769	22,227	10,644	16,019	3,375	11,787	8,044
Aug. 1, 1964-March 24, 1965 .	222,106	16,771	3,936	15,590	1,341	8,993	5,864

(1) Excluding bagged seed.

Freight-Assisted Shipments Claims filed for payment up to February 28, 1966 represent the movement of 8,643 thousand bushels of wheat from the Prairie Provinces to Eastern Canada and British Columbia under the freight assistance policy during the August-January period of the 1965-66 crop year. During the same months last year claims had been filed for a total of 5,133 thousand bushels, indicating on the assumption of approximately the same rate of submission of claims during both the current and preceding crop years that the August-January shipments of wheat under the policy were running about 68 per cent above those of 1964-65. Revised data on the August-January 1964-65 shipments of wheat based on claims submitted up to February 28, 1966 place the six-month total at 5,850 thousand bushels. The bulk of the shipments during the current six months under review went to destinations in Quebec and Ontario with these two provinces accounting for 43 per cent and 25 per cent of the total, respectively.

Provincial Distribution of Wheat Shipments under the Freight Assistance Policy  
August-January 1965-66 and 1964-65

Month	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	B.C.	Total
thousand bushels								
August, 1965 .....	34	17	181	59	719	449	139	1,598
September .....	124	22	190	70	701	496	181	1,785
October .....	43	10	204	52	656	379	271	1,616
November .....	7	17	150	65	638	311	271	1,460
December .....	6	38	155	62	558	342	89	1,249
January, 1966 .....	1	19	110	39	433	209	124	935
Totals (1) .....	216	123	990	347	3,706	2,186	1,075	8,643
Same period 1964-65:								
Preliminary (2) .....	119	56	530	186	2,409	1,307	524	5,133
Revised (1) .....	134	62	586	215	2,626	1,337	890	5,850

Preliminary data on millfeed shipments under the freight assistance policy indicate shipments of 253,667 tons during the August-January period of the current crop year. During the same six months of 1964-65 claims had been filed for a total of 204,988 tons, indicating on the assumption of approximately the same rate of submission of claims during both the current and preceding crop years that the August-January shipments of millfeeds under the policy were running about 24 per cent above those of 1964-65. Revised data on the 1964-65 August-January shipments of millfeeds based on claims submitted up to February 28, 1966 place the six-month total at 246,558 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-January 1965-66 and 1964-65

Province	1964-65		1965-66
	Preliminary (2)	Revised (1)	Preliminary (1)
tons			
Newfoundland .....	2,446	3,378	2,876
Prince Edward Island .....	3,618	4,086	5,315
Nova Scotia .....	13,623	16,941	16,296
New Brunswick .....	12,289	14,306	13,773
Quebec .....	99,560	120,513	132,049
Ontario .....	64,193	69,879	69,803
British Columbia .....	9,259	17,455	13,555
Totals .....	204,988	246,558	253,667

(1) Based on claims filed up to February 28, 1966.

(2) Based on claims filed up to February 28, 1965.



Monthly Exports of Canadian Wheat and Wheat Flour

Year and Month	Wheat in Bulk (1)	Bagged Seed Wheat (2)	Total Wheat	Wheat Flour (2)(3)	Total (3) Wheat and Wheat Flour
thousand bushels					
<u>1963-64</u>					
August .....	29,204	187	29,391	2,819	32,210
September .....	42,556	129	42,686	2,106	44,791
October .....	59,020	15	59,035	3,520	62,555
November .....	65,296	204	65,499	4,538	70,037
December .....	41,763	388	42,151	6,284	48,435
January .....	28,451	535	28,987	5,829	34,816
February .....	21,675	562	22,237	5,800	28,037
March .....	22,510	484	22,995	5,697	28,692
April .....	43,211	213	43,423	5,530	48,954
May .....	56,992	14	57,006	4,744	61,750
June .....	65,036	144	65,180	3,768	68,948
July .....	61,012	35	61,047	4,275	65,322
Totals .....	536,726	2,912	539,637	54,910	594,548
<u>1964-65</u>					
August .....	42,226	68	42,294	3,711	46,005
September .....	42,792	121	42,913	2,258	45,172
October .....	40,120	27	40,147	2,460	42,607
November .....	30,976	45	31,021	2,534	33,556
December .....	27,720	79	27,799	2,220	30,020
January .....	18,098	85	18,183	2,263	20,446
February .....	19,337	147	19,484	1,637	21,121
March .....	23,376	281	23,657	2,289	25,946
April .....	31,798	212	32,010	4,047	36,057
May .....	34,822	126	34,949	3,515	38,464
June .....	30,631	59	30,690	2,176	32,866
July .....	24,843	61	24,905	2,430	27,335
Totals .....	366,740	1,312	368,052	31,542	399,594
<u>1965-66 (4)</u>					
August .....	43,377	62	43,439	1,937	45,377
September .....	64,447	94	64,541	2,755	67,296
October .....	64,517	82	64,599	2,273	66,872
November .....	55,652	38	55,691	4,202	59,893
December .....	33,201	56	33,258	1,916	35,174
January .....	23,483	45	23,527	4,452	27,979
February .....	23,502	44	23,545	2,554	26,099
Totals .....	308,179	421	308,600	20,090	328,691

(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, 1963-64--1964-65 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, subject to revision.

Exports of Canadian Wheat (1) by Destination, February 1966 and 1965

Destination	Wheat (Except Durum)	Durum Wheat	All Wheat	
			February 1966	February 1965(2)
bushels				
<u>Western Europe</u>				
<u>EEC</u>				
Belgium and Luxembourg .....	545,254	-	545,254	1,210,435
France .....	-	-	-	257,273
Germany, Federal Republic .....	215,255	-	215,255	1,152,905
Italy .....	37,334	-	37,334	102,667
Netherlands .....	1,013,432	-	1,013,432	410,666
Sub-totals .....	1,811,275	-	1,811,275	3,133,946
<u>Other Western Europe</u>				
Austria .....	33,600	-	33,600	-
Britain .....	4,114,313	-	4,114,313	6,789,874
Ireland .....	-	-	-	385,537
Switzerland .....	-	-	-	448,000
Sub-totals .....	4,147,913	-	4,147,913	7,623,411
Totals .....	5,959,188	-	5,959,188	10,757,357
<u>Eastern Europe</u>				
Albania .....	728,383	75,665	804,048	534,667
Bulgaria .....	-	-	-	405,067
Hungary .....	-	-	-	795,133
Poland .....	50,469	-	50,469	-
U.S.S.R. (Russia) .....	3,022,612	-	3,022,612	-
Totals .....	3,801,464	75,665	3,877,129	1,734,867
<u>Africa</u>				
Nigeria .....	59,733	-	59,733	-
<u>Asia</u>				
China, Communist .....	5,692,424	96,744	5,789,168	2,556,317
Hong Kong .....	116,853	-	116,853	54,880
India .....	2,135,392	-	2,135,392	-
Japan .....	4,117,556	-	4,117,556	2,569,653
Malaysia and Singapore .....	57,493	-	57,493	38,080
Pakistan .....	42,000	-	42,000	-
Philippines .....	196,000	-	196,000	610,774
Totals .....	12,357,718	96,744	12,454,462	5,829,704
<u>Western Hemisphere</u>				
Colombia .....	-	-	-	367,454
Cuba .....	314,160	-	314,160	294,933
El Salvador .....	-	-	-	96,451
Jamaica.....	1,498	-	1,498	-
Nicaragua .....	150,080	-	150,080	50,773
Venezuela .....	685,365	-	685,365	205,632
Totals .....	1,151,103	-	1,151,103	1,015,243
Sub-totals, All Countries .....	23,329,206	172,409	23,501,615	19,337,171
Bagged seed (3) .....			43,625	146,956
Totals, All Countries .....	23,329,206	172,409	23,545,240	19,484,127

See footnotes on page 17



Cumulative Exports of Canadian Wheat (1) by Destination

Destination	August 1965 - February 1966			Total
	Wheat (Except Durum)	Durum Wheat	Total Wheat	Same Period Last Year(2)
bushels				
<u>Western Europe</u>				
<u>EEC</u>				
Belgium and Luxembourg ..	7,414,589	511,739	7,926,328	10,234,223
France .....	1,693,513	608,197	2,301,710	3,711,230
Germany, Federal Republic	8,955,609	5,060,516	14,016,125	13,771,281
Italy .....	4,463,952	175,442	4,639,394	2,534,760
Netherlands .....	3,319,957	123,199	3,443,156	2,219,998
Sub-totals .....	25,847,620	6,479,093	32,326,713	32,471,492
<u>Other Western Europe</u>				
Austria .....	840,515	381,193	1,221,708	1,195,493
Britain .....	41,999,304	266,226	42,265,530	44,582,454
Finland .....	377,684	-	377,684	343,467
Ireland .....	917,514	26,068	943,582	741,817
Malta and Gozo .....	283,733	-	283,733	412,534
Norway .....	1,575,540	-	1,575,540	1,601,120
Sweden .....	-	18,666	18,666	11,200
Switzerland .....	2,322,094	2,556,803	4,878,897	2,845,404
Sub-totals .....	48,316,384	3,248,956	51,565,340	51,733,489
Totals .....	74,164,004	9,728,049	83,892,053	84,204,981
<u>Eastern Europe</u>				
Albania .....	2,527,365	947,398	3,474,763	2,876,084
Bulgaria .....	-	-	-	3,764,681
Czechoslovakia .....	6,451,200	1,095,866	7,547,066	18,688,398
Germany, East .....	5,019,952	-	5,019,952	7,404,212
Hungary .....	-	-	-	2,124,073
Poland .....	6,310,141	1,357,508	7,667,649	14,717,161
U.S.S.R. (Russia) .....	104,278,515	6,844,820	111,123,335	970,980
Totals .....	124,587,173	10,245,592	134,832,765	50,545,589
<u>Africa</u>				
Ethiopia .....	146,976	-	146,976	-
Mozambique .....	11,125	-	11,125	24,105
Nigeria .....	302,400	-	302,400	284,024
Republic of South Africa ..	-	-	-	944,533
Rhodesia .....	-	-	-	48,210
Totals .....	460,501	-	460,501	1,300,872



Cumulative Exports of Canadian Wheat (1) by Destination

Destination	August 1965 - February 1966			Total
	Wheat (Except Durum)	Durum Wheat	Total Wheat	Same Period Last Year (2)
	bushels			
<u>Asia</u>				
China, Communist .....	34,345,774	1,970,940	36,316,714	33,873,420
Hong Kong .....	805,204	-	805,204	525,467
India .....	7,226,588	-	7,226,588	3,225,263
Israel .....	467,600	-	467,600	529,200
Japan .....	26,978,984	-	26,978,984	27,386,303
Malaysia and Singapore .....	745,698	-	745,698	410,667
Pakistan .....	534,479	-	534,479	1,836,800
Philippines .....	2,053,520	-	2,053,520	3,817,035
Saudi Arabia .....	229,531	-	229,531	251,964
Taiwan .....	-	-	-	341,836
Thailand .....	154,000	-	154,000	-
Totals .....	73,541,378	1,970,940	75,512,318	72,197,955
<u>Oceania</u>				
United States Oceania .....	36,587	-	36,587	38,565
<u>Western Hemisphere</u>				
Barbados .....	160	-	160	60
Colombia .....	-	-	-	367,454
Cuba .....	6,414,615	-	6,414,615	3,550,023
Dominican Republic .....	-	-	-	704,386
Ecuador .....	585,347	-	585,347	893,142
El Salvador .....	452,667	-	452,667	391,385
Guatemala .....	148,106	-	148,106	135,833
Honduras Republic .....	-	-	-	53,200
Jamaica .....	6,488	-	6,488	3,654
Leeward and Windward Islands ..	4	-	4	-
Nicaragua .....	416,050	-	416,050	255,733
Peru .....	186,667	-	186,667	613,200
Trinidad and Tobago .....	129,472	-	129,472	-
Venezuela .....	5,105,627	-	5,105,627	6,013,351
Totals .....	13,445,203	-	13,445,203	12,981,421
Sub-totals, All Countries	286,234,846	21,944,581	308,179,427	221,269,383
Bagged seed (3) .....			420,973	571,958
Totals, All Countries ...	286,234,846	21,944,581	308,600,400	221,841,341

- (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) Revised.
- (3) Compiled from Canadian Customs returns, 1964-65 adjusted for time lag, 1965-66 estimated.

Customs Exports of Canadian Wheat Flour by Countries of Consignment

Destination	January 1966 (1)	August-January	
		1965-66 (1)	1964-65 (2)
		bushels	
<u>Western Europe</u>			
<u>EEC</u>			
Belgium and Luxembourg .....	1,794	46,522	97,302
Italy .....	-	3,450	4,945
Netherlands .....	283	3,468	1,499
Sub-totals .....	2,077	53,440	103,746
<u>Other Western Europe</u>			
Britain .....	895,579	4,786,043	5,018,968
Denmark .....	-	1,380	1,840
Gibraltar .....	3,606	7,470	2,622
Greece .....	3,540	9,791	8,266
Iceland .....	1,776	1,776	3,220
Norway .....	-	46	-
Portugal .....	15,688	41,434	42,474
Sweden .....	-	506	1,265
Sub-totals .....	920,189	4,848,446	5,078,655
Totals .....	922,266	4,901,886	5,182,401
<u>Eastern Europe</u>			
U.S.S.R. (Russia) .....	42,311	396,511	1,355,378
<u>Africa</u>			
Angola .....	1,725	11,730	1,196
Cameroun Republic .....	10,925	21,057	9,009
Congo-Leopoldville .....	24,150	67,850	79,987
Ethiopia .....	-	-	230
French Africa nes .....	12,892	19,440	5,782
Gambia .....	7,360	30,935	31,542
Ghana .....	5,069	465,368	1,006,036
Guinea Republic .....	-	-	920
Ivory Coast Republic .....	805	1,265	690
Liberia .....	16,134	85,406	41,922
Malawi .....	1,150	12,052	3,431
Mozambique .....	387	23,932	28,471
Nigeria .....	2,369	17,696	5,559
Nyasaland .....	-	-	11,197
Portuguese Africa nes .....	13,995	60,538	31,057
Rhodesia .....	1,150	4,600	1,150
Sierra Leone .....	21,259	187,018	288,043
Tanzania .....	-	3,450	-
Togo .....	41,313	107,263	110,906
U.A.R.-Egypt .....	-	1,656	-
Totals .....	160,683	1,121,256	1,657,128
<u>Asia</u>			
Aden .....	3,156	31,515	25,227
Burma .....	-	-	159,043
Ceylon .....	499,022	499,022	437,936
Hong Kong .....	33,265	376,340	411,123
Indonesia .....	-	-	16,694
Iran .....	-	2,925	1,603
Japan .....	-	1,458	20,598
Jordan .....	10,341	10,596	9,888
Korea .....	-	27,881	-
Kuwait .....	-	-	8,181



# FARMERS' MARKETINGS OF WHEAT, PRAIRIE PROVINCES

(SPECIFIED PERIODS)

MILLION BUSHELS

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MILLION BUSHELS

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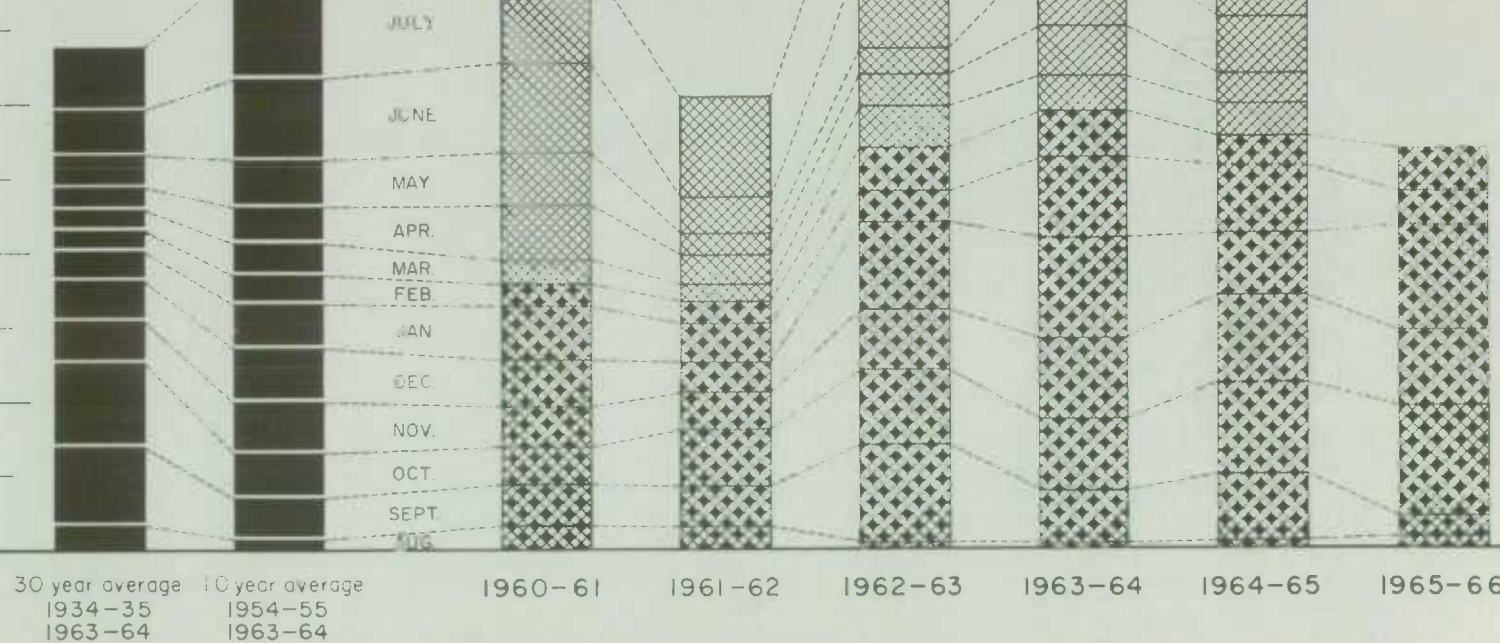
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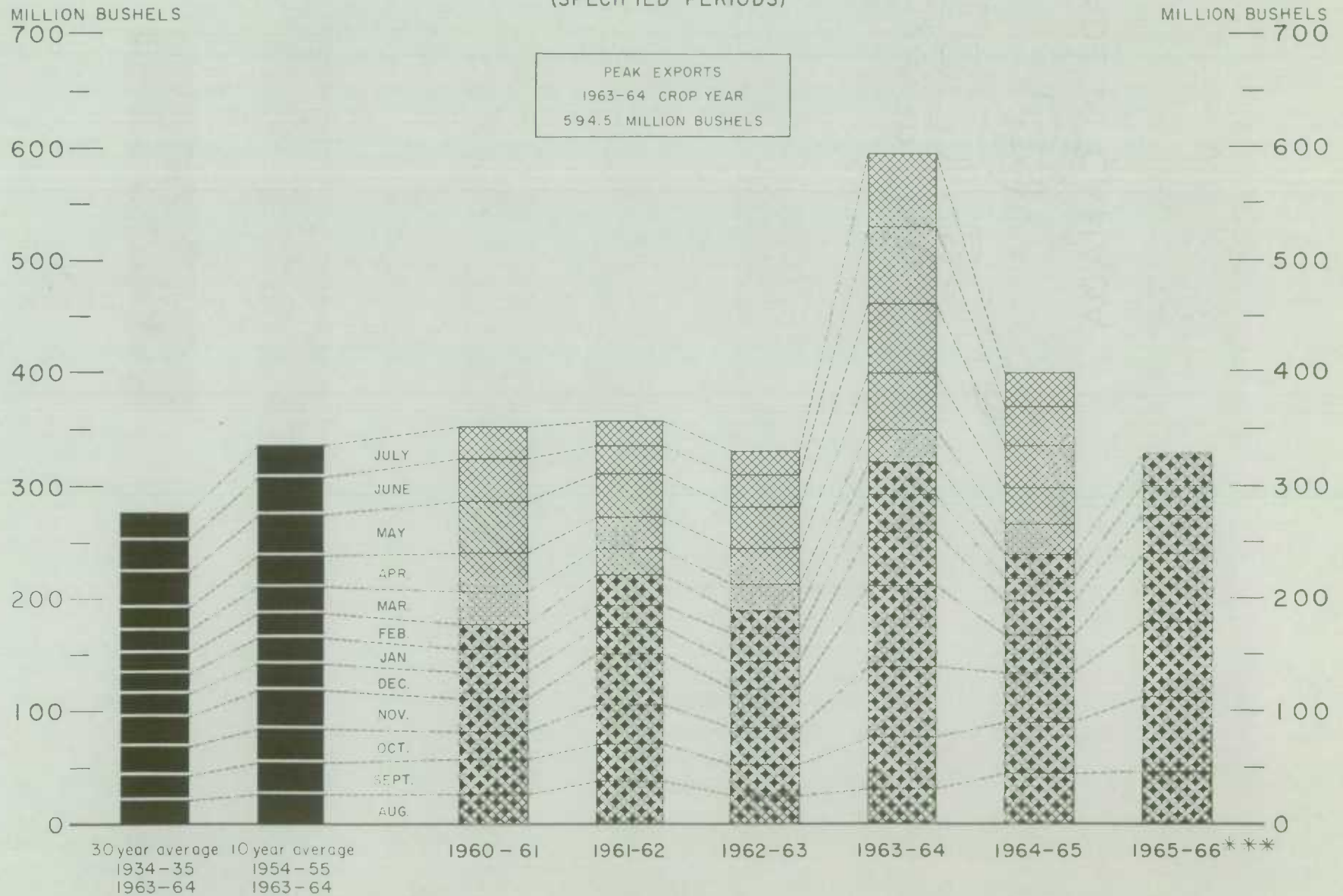
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PEAK MARKETINGS  
1963-64 CROP YEAR  
568.6 MILLION BUSHELS



## EXPORTS OF CANADIAN WHEAT\* AND WHEAT FLOUR\*\*

(SPECIFIED PERIODS)



\*Beginning with 1956-57 includes bagged seed wheat    \*\*In terms of wheat equivalent    \*\*\*Preliminary.

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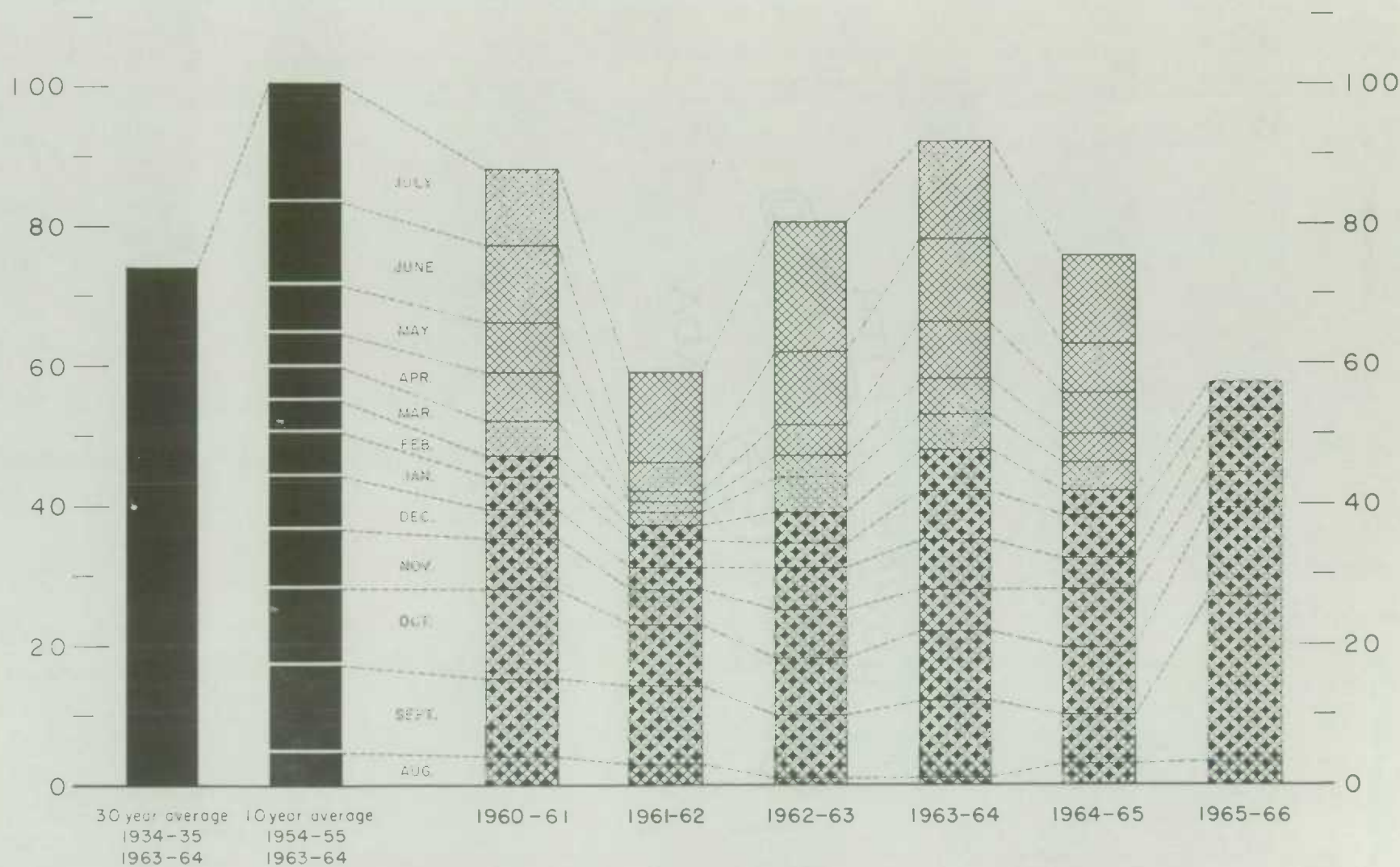


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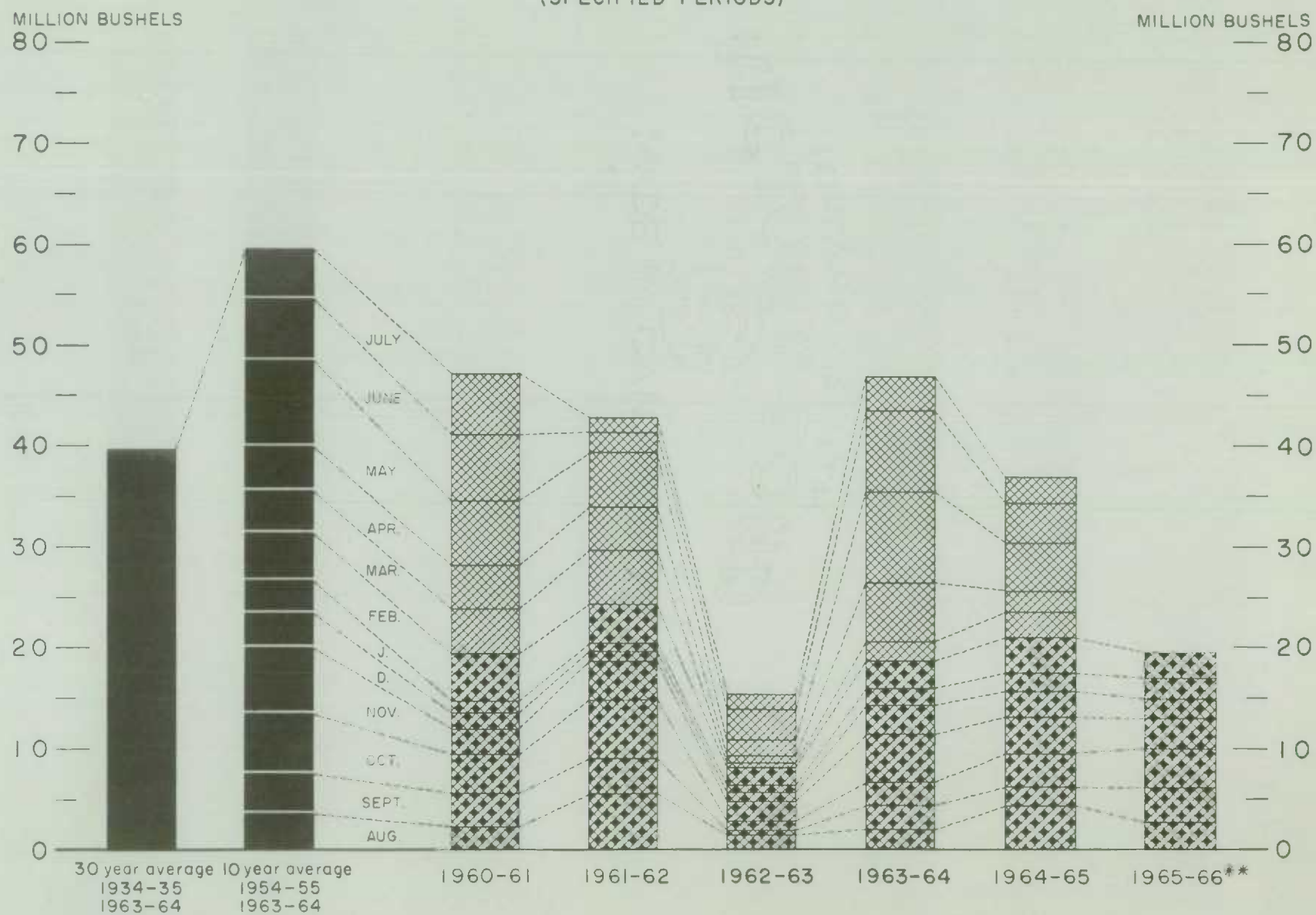
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MILLION BUSHELS  
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## EXPORTS OF CANADIAN BARLEY AND BARLEY PRODUCTS\*

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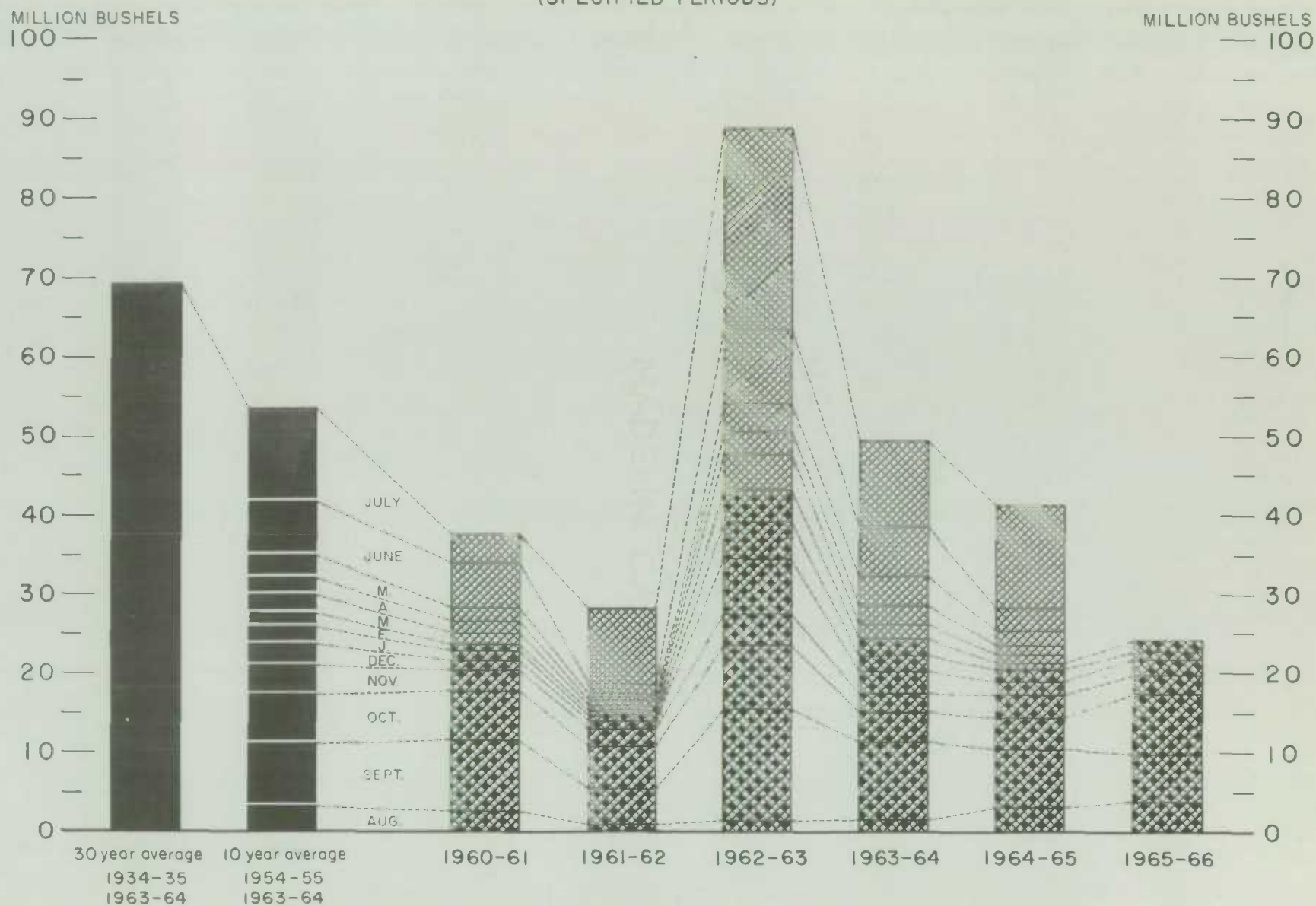


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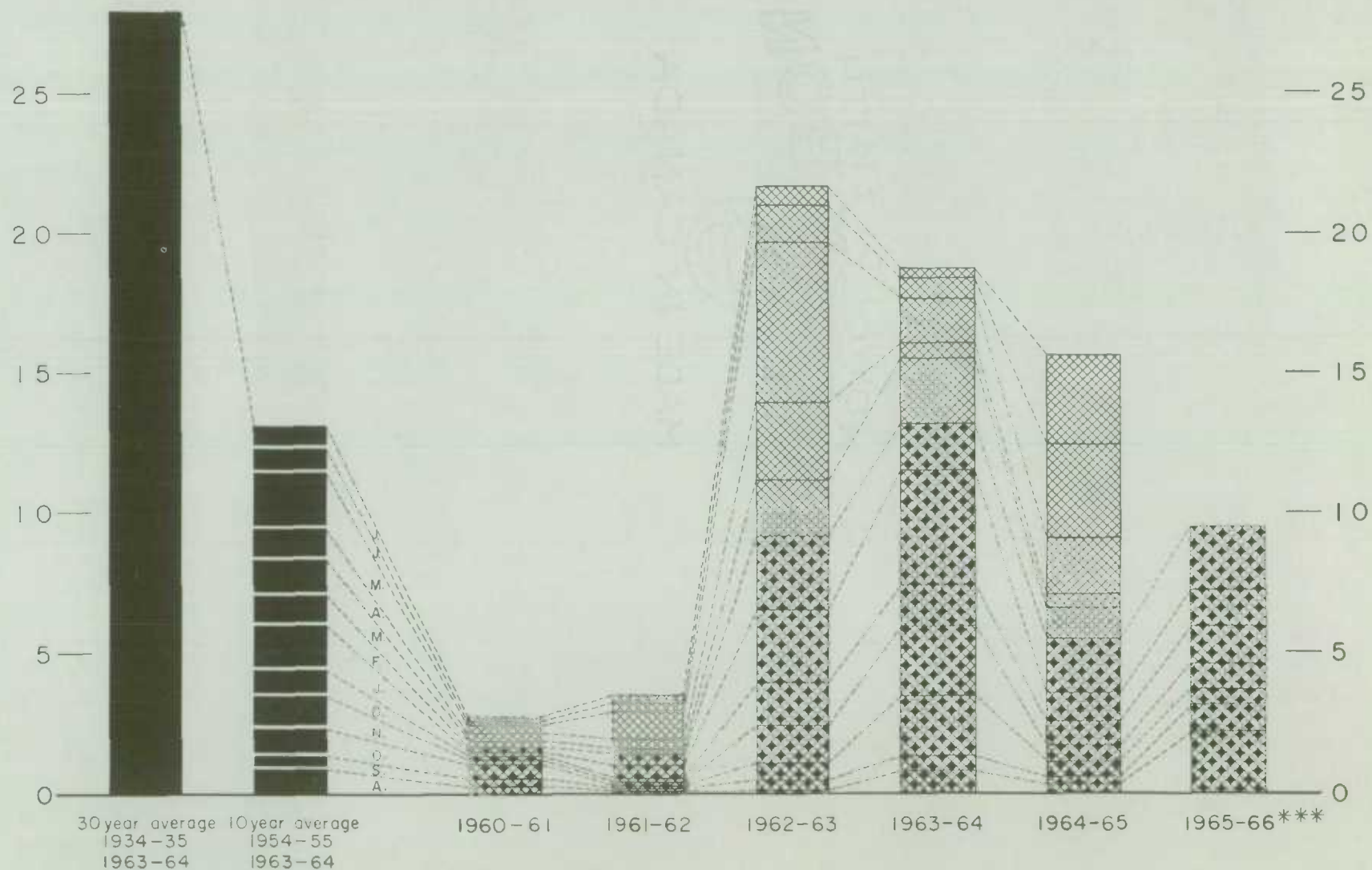


# FARMERS' MARKETINGS OF OATS, PRAIRIE PROVINCES (SPECIFIED PERIODS)



## EXPORTS OF CANADIAN OATS\* AND OAT PRODUCTS\*\*

(SPECIFIED PERIODS)

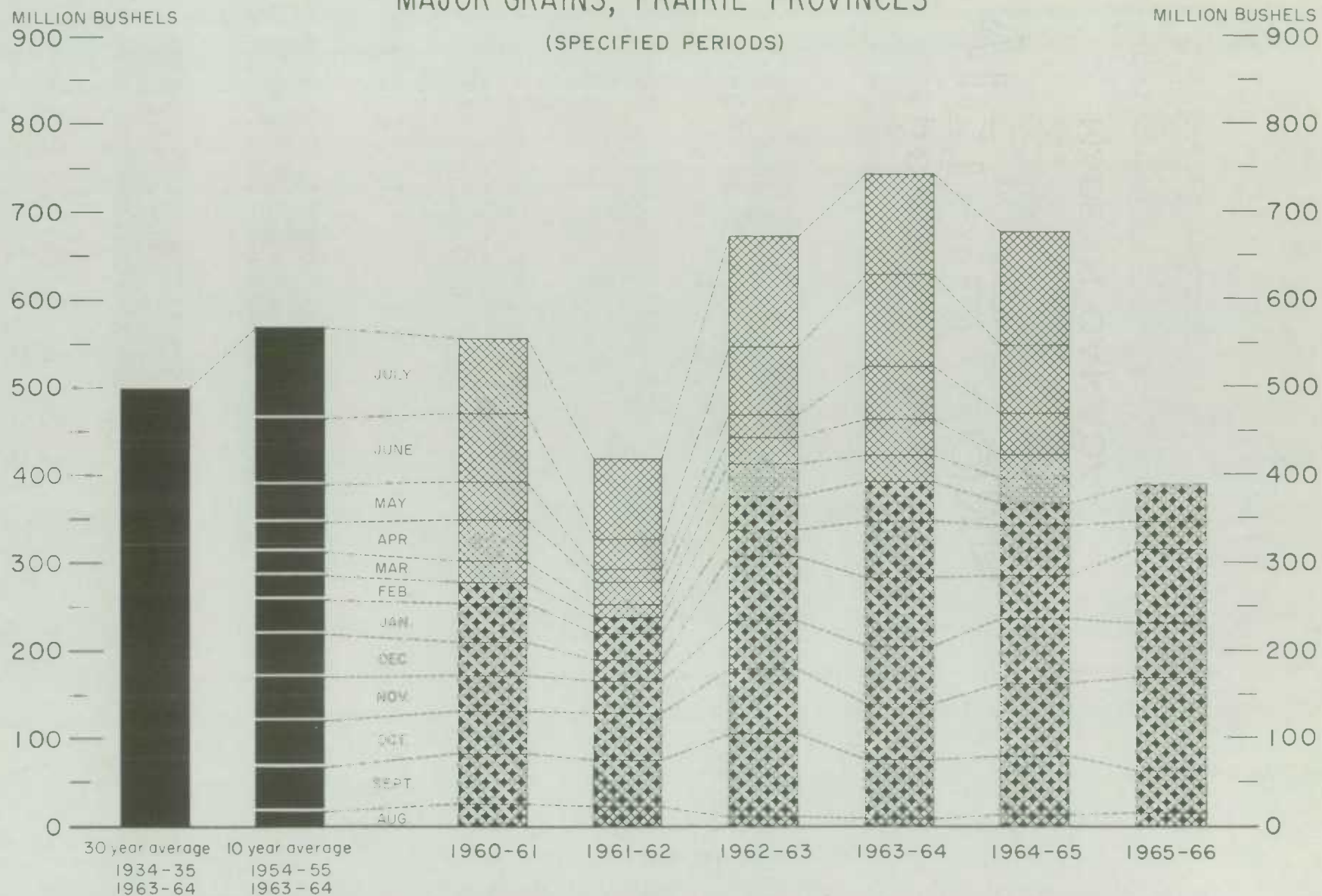
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\*Beginning with 1960-61 includes relatively small quantity of bagged seed. \*\*In terms of grain equivalent. \*\*\*Preliminary.

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# FARMERS' MARKETINGS OF CANADA'S SIX MAJOR GRAINS\*, PRAIRIE PROVINCES



\*Wheat, oats, barley, rye, flaxseed and from 1960-61 rapeseed

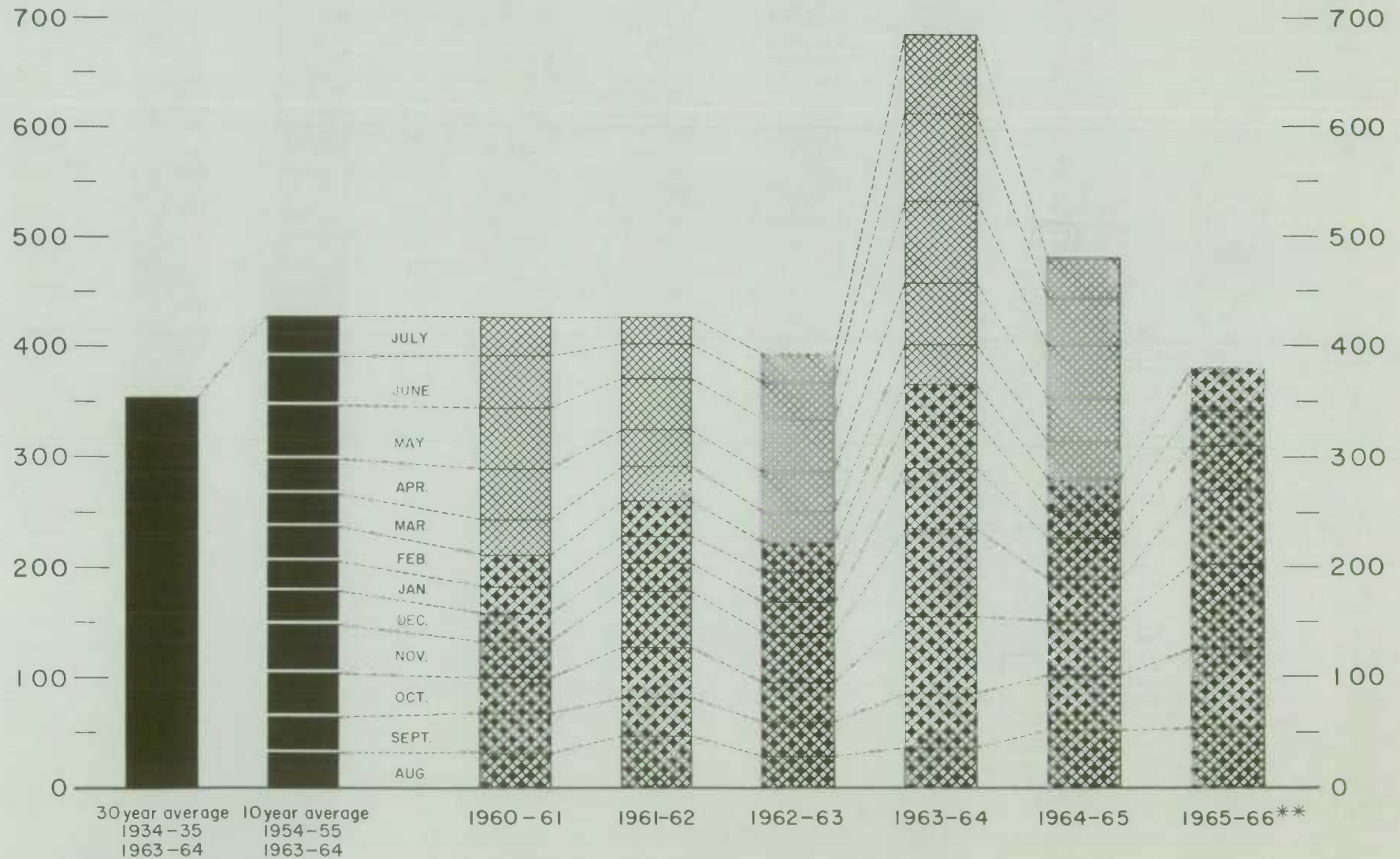
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## EXPORTS OF CANADA'S SIX MAJOR GRAINS AND PRODUCTS\*

(SPECIFIED PERIODS)

MILLION BUSHEL

MILLION BUSHEL



\*Wheat, bagged seed wheat, and wheat flour; oats, bagged seed oats, and oatmeal and rolled oats; barley, malt and pot and pearl; rye, flaxseed and from 1960-61 rapeseed.

\*\*Preliminary.

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Customs Exports of Canadian Wheat Flour by Countries of Consignment

Destination	January 1966 (1)	August-January	
		1965-66 (1)	1964-65 (2)
		bushels	
<u>Asia (concluded)</u>			
Lebanon .....	5,612	387,566	24,311
Malaysia .....	4,428	81,678	226,499
Philippines .....	-	-	977
Portuguese Asia .....	1,784	11,693	6,578
Qatar .....	230	547	230
Saudi Arabia .....	-	276	1,070
Syria .....	404	9,025	709
Thailand .....	16,330	122,937	247,759
Totals .....	574,572	1,563,459	1,598,426
<u>Oceania</u>			
Australia .....	-	14	-
British Oceania nes .....	-	230	-
Fiji .....	2,082	5,325	3,450
French Oceania .....	-	483	701
United States Oceania .....	3,450	29,210	345
Totals .....	5,532	35,262	4,496
<u>Western Hemisphere</u>			
Bahamas .....	25,760	146,717	164,781
Barbados .....	24,304	116,789	91,768
Bermuda .....	8,059	57,617	64,782
British Guiana .....	9,150	33,900	26,809
British Honduras .....	220	29,435	19,120
Chile .....	-	-	920
Costa Rica .....	48,990	559,797	452,795
Cuba .....	2,205,175	5,404,289	2,085,806
Dominican Republic .....	-	227,466	40,595
El Salvador .....	1,007	2,325	200
French Guiana .....	-	230	-
French West Indies .....	138	2,576	920
Guatemala .....	462	19,943	19,267
Haiti Republic .....	-	1,120	19,463
Honduras Republic .....	10,927	54,264	18,221
Jamaica.....	118,782	822,770	798,656
Leeward and Windward Islands .....	91,073	525,755	489,111
Netherlands Antilles .....	13,066	110,310	120,674
Nicaragua .....	690	7,820	690
Panama .....	3,852	20,801	50,761
Peru .....	518	24,852	28,506
St. Pierre and Miquelon .....	1,035	11,380	11,472
Surinam .....	4,090	34,176	31,650
Trinidad and Tobago .....	109,940	762,896	679,753
United States Virgin Islands .....	-	67	-
Venezuela .....	-	115	575
United States .....	69,467	540,249	432,131
Totals .....	2,746,705	9,517,659	5,649,426
Totals, All Countries .....	4,452,069	17,536,033	15,447,255

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- (2) 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.

Customs Exports of Canadian Wheat Flour by Countries of Consignment

Destination	February	August-February	
	1966 (1)	1965-66 (1)	1964-65 (2)
		bushels	
<u>Western Europe</u>			
<u>EEC</u>			
Belgium and Luxembourg .....	-	46,522	97,302
Italy .....	1,840	5,290	5,865
Netherlands .....	-	3,468	1,499
Sub-totals .....	1,840	55,280	104,666
<u>Other Western Europe</u>			
Britain .....	811,465	5,597,508	5,803,197
Denmark .....	-	1,380	1,840
Gibraltar .....	3,349	10,819	2,622
Greece .....	1,610	11,401	8,266
Iceland .....	-	1,776	3,220
Norway .....	-	46	-
Portugal .....	-	41,434	65,026
Sweden .....	759	1,265	1,265
Sub-totals .....	817,183	5,665,629	5,885,436
Totals .....	819,023	5,720,909	5,990,102
<u>Eastern Europe</u>			
U.S.S.R. (Russia) .....	35,098	431,609	1,355,378
<u>Africa</u>			
Angola .....	-	11,730	1,196
Cameroun Republic .....	-	21,057	18,025
Congo (Leopoldville) .....	2,300	70,150	79,987
Ethiopia .....	-	-	230
French Africa nes .....	655	20,095	5,782
Gambia .....	2,300	33,235	31,542
Ghana .....	94,875	560,243	1,091,916
Guinea Republic .....	-	-	920
Ivory Coast Republic .....	1,380	2,645	690
Liberia .....	8,749	94,155	43,187
Malawi .....	1,242	13,294	3,431
Mozambique .....	3,739	27,671	29,049
Nigeria .....	147	17,843	5,559
Portuguese Africa nes .....	2,521	63,059	42,536
Rhodesia .....	-	4,600	12,347
Sierra Leone .....	30,852	217,870	296,208
Tanzania .....	-	3,450	-
Togo .....	15,456	122,719	110,906
U.A.R. - Egypt .....	-	1,656	-
Totals .....	164,216	1,285,472	1,773,511
<u>Asia</u>			
Aden .....	-	31,515	27,223
Burma .....	-	-	159,043
Ceylon .....	-	499,022	437,936
Hong Kong .....	41,071	417,411	449,790
India .....	184	184	-
Indonesia .....	-	-	16,694
Iran .....	439	3,364	1,603
Japan .....	690	2,148	20,598
Jordan .....	-	10,596	9,888
Korea .....	33,097	60,978	-
Kuwait .....	-	-	8,353



Customs Exports of Canadian Wheat Flour by Countries of Consignment

Destination	February 1966 (1)	August-February	
		1965-66 (1)	1964-65 (2)
		bushels	
<u>Asia (concluded)</u>			
Lebanon .....	-	387,566	24,453
Malaysia .....	13,216	94,894	261,096
Philippines .....	-	-	977
Portuguese Asia .....	2,024	13,717	7,590
Qatar .....	-	547	230
Saudi Arabia .....	145	421	1,070
Syria .....	-	9,025	709
Thailand .....	20,125	143,062	259,951
Totals .....	110,991	1,674,450	1,687,204
<u>Oceania</u>			
Australia .....	-	14	-
British Oceania nes .....	115	345	-
Fiji .....	759	6,084	4,140
French Oceania .....	-	483	701
United States Oceania .....	4,025	33,235	345
Totals .....	4,899	40,161	5,186
<u>Western Hemisphere</u>			
Bahamas .....	10,840	157,557	186,493
Barbados .....	12,485	129,274	102,516
Bermuda .....	14,456	72,073	69,909
British Guiana .....	7,788	41,688	31,462
British Honduras .....	4,625	34,060	24,879
Chile .....	-	-	920
Costa Rica .....	62,951	622,748	537,895
Cuba .....	936,429	6,340,718	2,085,806
Dominican Republic .....	2,530	229,996	58,995
El Salvador .....	-	2,325	975
French Guiana .....	-	230	-
French West Indies .....	1,132	3,708	2,256
Guatemala .....	690	20,633	23,575
Haiti Republic .....	340	1,460	21,961
Honduras Republic .....	-	54,264	23,870
Jamaica.....	153,306	976,076	943,632
Leeward and Windward Islands .....	75,631	601,386	558,504
Netherlands Antilles .....	9,382	119,692	138,423
Nicaragua .....	-	7,820	690
Panama .....	2,300	23,101	54,280
Peru .....	3,795	28,647	46,883
St. Pierre and Miquelon .....	2,772	14,152	12,105
Surinam .....	4,025	38,201	40,719
Trinidad and Tobago .....	79,226	842,122	776,654
United States Virgin Islands .....	-	67	-
Venezuela .....	-	115	1,035
United States .....	35,190	575,439	528,202
Totals .....	1,419,893	10,937,552	6,272,639
Totals, All Countries .....	2,554,120	20,090,153	17,084,020

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

Class and Grade	Week Ending				
	March 4	March 11	March 18	March 25	April 1
	cents and eighths per bushel				
<u>Initial Payment to Producers</u>					
1 Northern .....	150	150	150	150	150
2 Northern .....	146	146	146	146	146
3 Northern .....	142	142	142	142	142
4 Northern .....	135	135	135	135	135
5 Wheat .....	121	121	121	121	121
6 Wheat .....	117	117	117	117	117
Feed Wheat .....	113	113	113	113	113
1 C.W. Garnet .....	135	135	135	135	135
2 C.W. Garnet .....	130	130	130	130	130
3 C.W. Garnet .....	125	125	125	125	125
1 Alberta Red Winter .....	134	134	134	134	134
2 Alberta Winter .....	129	129	129	129	129
3 Alberta Winter .....	123	123	123	123	123
1 C.W. Amber Durum .....	150	150	150	150	150
2 C.W. Amber Durum .....	146	146	146	146	146
3 C.W. Amber Durum .....	142	142	142	142	142

International Wheat Agreement  
and Domestic Sales

1 Northern .....	202	202/1	202/4	202/5	202/6
2 Northern .....	199	199/1	199/4	199/5	199/6
3 Northern .....	190	190/1	190/4	190/5	190/6
4 Northern .....	185	185/1	185/4	185/5	185/6
5 Wheat .....	180	180/1	180/4	180/5	180/6
6 Wheat .....	178	178/1	178/4	178/5	179/1
Feed Wheat .....	175	175/1	175/4	175/5	176/1
1 C.W. Garnet .....	186	186/1	186/4	186/5	186/3
2 C.W. Garnet .....	185	185/1	185/4	185/5	185/3
3 C.W. Garnet .....	184	184/1	184/4	184/5	184/3
1 Alberta Red Winter .....	186	186/1	186/4	186/5	186/3
2 Alberta Winter .....	185	185/1	185/4	185/5	185/3
3 Alberta Winter .....	184	184/1	184/4	184/5	184/3
1 C.W. Amber Durum .....	202	202/1	202/4	202/5	202/7
2 C.W. Amber Durum .....	199	199/1	199/4	199/5	199/7
3 C.W. Amber Durum .....	192	192/1	192/4	192/5	192/7

Export - Class II

1 Northern .....	202	202/1	202/4	202/5	202/6
2 Northern .....	199	199/1	199/4	199/5	199/6
3 Northern .....	190	190/1	190/4	190/5	190/6
4 Northern .....	185	185/1	185/4	185/5	185/6
5 Wheat .....	180	180/1	180/4	180/5	180/6
6 Wheat .....	178	178/1	178/4	178/5	179/1
Feed Wheat .....	175	175/1	175/4	175/5	176/1
1 C.W. Garnet .....	186	186/1	186/4	186/5	186/3
2 C.W. Garnet .....	185	185/1	185/4	185/5	185/3
3 C.W. Garnet .....	184	184/1	184/4	184/5	184/3
1 C.W. Amber Durum .....	202	202/1	202/4	202/5	202/7
2 C.W. Amber Durum .....	199	199/1	199/4	199/5	199/7
3 C.W. Amber Durum .....	192	192/1	192/4	192/5	192/7



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

Class and Grade	Week Ending				
	March 4	March 11	March 18	March 25	April 1

cents and eighths per bushel

Initial Payment to Producers

1 Northern .....	150	150	150	150	150
2 Northern .....	146	146	146	146	146
3 Northern .....	142	142	142	142	142
4 Northern .....	135	135	135	135	135
5 Wheat .....	121	121	121	121	121
6 Wheat .....	117	117	117	117	117
Feed Wheat .....	113	113	113	113	113
1 C.W. Garnet .....	135	135	135	135	135
2 C.W. Garnet .....	130	130	130	130	130
3 C.W. Garnet .....	125	125	125	125	125
1 Alberta Red Winter .....	134	134	134	134	134
2 Alberta Winter .....	129	129	129	129	129
3 Alberta Winter .....	123	123	123	123	123
1 C.W. Amber Durum .....	150	150	150	150	150
2 C.W. Amber Durum .....	146	146	146	146	146
3 C.W. Amber Durum .....	142	142	142	142	142

International Wheat Agreement

and Domestic Sales

1 Northern .....	207/2	207/3	207/6	207/7	209/2
2 Northern .....	202/2	202/3	202/6	202/7	205/5
3 Northern .....	194/2	194/3	194/6	194/7	196/5
4 Northern .....	187/2	187/3	187/6	187/7	191/1
5 Wheat .....	182/2	182/3	182/6	182/7	186/1
6 Wheat .....	179/2	179/3	179/6	179/7	184/4
Feed Wheat .....	176/2	176/3	176/6	176/7	181/4
1 C.W. Garnet .....	187/2	187/3	187/6	187/7	191/1
2 C.W. Garnet .....	186/2	186/3	186/6	186/7	190/1
3 C.W. Garnet .....	185/2	185/3	185/6	185/7	189/1
1 Alberta Red Winter .....	187/2	187/3	187/6	187/7	191/1
2 Alberta Winter .....	186/2	186/3	186/6	186/7	190/1
3 Alberta Winter .....	185/2	185/3	185/6	185/7	189/1

Export - Class II

1 Northern .....	207/2	207/3	207/6	207/7	209/2
2 Northern .....	202/2	202/3	202/6	202/7	205/5
3 Northern .....	194/2	194/3	194/6	194/7	196/5
4 Northern .....	187/2	187/3	187/6	187/7	191/1
5 Wheat .....	182/2	182/3	182/6	182/7	186/1
6 Wheat .....	179/2	179/3	179/6	179/7	184/4
Feed Wheat .....	176/2	176/3	176/6	176/7	181/4
1 C.W. Garnet .....	187/2	187/3	187/6	187/7	191/1
2 C.W. Garnet .....	186/2	186/3	186/6	186/7	190/1
3 C.W. Garnet .....	185/2	185/3	185/6	185/7	189/1
1 Alberta Red Winter .....	187/2	187/3	187/6	187/7	191/1
2 Alberta Winter .....	186/2	186/3	186/6	186/7	190/1
3 Alberta Winter .....	185/2	185/3	185/6	185/7	189/1

# CANADIAN FLOUR MILLING SITUATION

Production Wheat flour production by Canadian mills during February 1966 amounted to 3,733,000 hundredweight, representing an increase of 1 per cent over the January 1966 total of 3,703,000 hundredweight, 8 per cent above the February 1965 figure of 3,460,000 hundredweight and 16 per cent greater than the ten-year (1956-65) average production for the month of February of 3,208,000 hundredweight. Mills reporting operations during February 1966 had a total rated capacity of 168,000 hundredweight per 24-hour day and on the basis of a 24-day working period 92.4 per cent of this rated capacity was effective.

Wheat milled for flour during February 1966 amounted to 8,374,000 bushels, 1 per cent over the 8,257,000 bushels milled during the preceding month and 9 per cent higher than the 7,691,000 bushels milled during February 1965. Of the wheat milled for flour during February 1966 some 7,369,000 bushels were Western Canadian spring wheat (other than Durum) while the remainder consisted of Ontario winter wheat (555,000 bushels); Durum (329,000 bushels); and all other (120,000 bushels).

Exports According to preliminary Customs returns, exports of Canadian wheat flour during February 1966 amounted to 1,110,000 hundredweight (some 2,554,000 bushels of wheat equivalent) sharply below the 4,452,000 bushels exported during the previous month but well above the adjusted February 1965 exports of 1,637,000 bushels. Flour shipments during the month went to fifty countries. Exports to Cuba, at 936,000 bushels accounted for 37 per cent of the February total while shipments to Britain totalled some 811,000 bushels and accounted for 32 per cent of the February exports of wheat flour. Other principal markets for Canadian wheat flour in terms of wheat during the month, with shipments in thousands of bushels were as follows: Jamaica, 153; Ghana, 95; Trinidad and Tobago, 79; Leeward and Windward Islands, 76; and Costa Rica, 63.

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

Crop Year	Wheat Milled for Flour	Wheat Flour	
		Production	Exports (1)
	bushels		cwt.
1935-36--1939-40 average .....	67,845,114	29,405,451	9,603,941
1940-41--1944-45 average .....	99,704,638	43,908,245	23,699,546
1945-46--1949-50 average .....	107,330,372	47,011,540	25,819,721
1950-51--1954-55 average .....	100,446,328	43,847,894	21,812,041
1955-56--1959-60 average .....	90,148,211	39,752,589	16,349,156
1960-61 .....	89,731,155	39,914,644	15,513,836
1961-62 .....	88,240,580	39,539,651	13,892,676
1962-63 .....	78,789,332	35,505,220	11,854,458
1963-64 .....	111,670,577	50,103,569	23,873,978
1964-65 .....	87,209,242	39,107,358	13,714,069
1965-66 (2)			
August .....	7,675,899	3,419,083	842,329
September .....	8,626,816	3,861,212	1,197,912
October .....	9,220,674	4,114,703	988,322
November .....	8,757,570	3,901,780	1,827,066
December .....	8,529,115	3,786,893	833,051
January .....	8,257,251	3,703,388	1,935,682
February .....	8,374,182	3,732,617	1,110,487
Totals .....	59,441,507	26,519,676	8,734,849
Same months 1964-65 (3) .....	51,056,947	22,922,370	7,427,835

(1) Based on Customs returns. Exports for the crop years 1945-46--1964-65 revised to remove effect of time lag in the returns made by Customs.

(2) Subject to revision.

(3) Revised figures.



UNITED STATES SITUATION

Total Supplies  
Slightly Less Than  
Previous Year

Total domestic supplies of wheat in the United States for the 1965-66 crop year are estimated at 2,144.4 million bushels, 2 per cent below the previous year's total of 2,191.8 million, with a decline in carryover stocks more than offsetting an increase in production. The 817.7 million bushels carried over at July 1, 1965 were the lowest stocks in twelve years and the fourth consecutive decline since July 1, 1961. The 1965 production, estimated at 1,326.7 million bushels, is 3 per cent more than the 1964 crop and 12 per cent larger than the 1959-63 average of 1,189.8 million. Domestic disappearance during 1965-66 is now estimated at about 685.0 million bushels, 4 per cent above the 657.1 million last year. After deducting anticipated domestic requirements for the current United States crop year, some 1,460.3 million remain available for export and for carryover, a decrease of 5 per cent from the 1,535.7 million in 1964-65.

Exports of wheat and wheat flour in terms of grain equivalent during the period July 1965-February 1966 amounted to 520.2 million bushels, 19 per cent more than the 436.8 million exported during the same months last year. The balance remaining on March 1, 1966 for export and for carryover was estimated at 940.1 million bushels compared with 1,098.9 million on the same date a year ago.

United States Wheat Supplies

Item	1964-65 (1)	1965-66 (2)
	million bushels	
Carryover at beginning of crop year (July 1) .....	901.2	817.7 (1)
Production .....	1,290.6	1,326.7
Total estimated domestic supplies .....	2,191.8	2,144.4
Imports of wheat and wheat flour in terms of wheat for domestic use, July-February .....	0.9	0.9
Total estimated supplies (3) .....	2,192.8	2,145.3
Less estimated domestic requirements for crop year (4) ..	657.1	685.0 (1)
Available for export and for carryover .....	1,535.7	1,460.3
Deduct:		
Exports of wheat as grain, July-February .....	382.2	473.1
Exports of wheat flour in terms of wheat, July-February (5) .....	54.6	47.1
Total exports of wheat and wheat flour (6) .....	436.8	520.2
Balance on March 1 for export and for carryover .....	1,098.9	940.1

(1) Revised. (2) Preliminary. (3) Excluding imports for March-June. (4) Includes shipments to United States Territories and wheat for military food use at home and abroad. (5) Flour exports exclude "Milled in bond". (6) These figures now include all shipments under relief programs which formerly were not available from Census data.



Prospective Plantings  
of Spring Wheat

The following report on prospective plantings of spring wheat in the United States is taken from the March 18, 1966 report of the Crop Reporting Board, United States Department of Agriculture. Plantings of all wheat will total 53.8 million acres based on March 1 intentions for all spring wheat and the December 1965 estimate of winter wheat acreage planted. If realized, this will be 6 per cent less acreage than last year but slightly above the 1960-64 average. Growers reported their intended spring wheat acreage during the sign-up period for the 1966 Wheat and Feed Grain Programs and these plans may not be final.

The prospective acreage of durum wheat to be seeded this spring is 2,306,000 acres. This is slightly more than last year's 2,296,000 acres but 11 per cent above average. Growers in North Dakota, the perennial leader with 86 per cent of the 1966 durum acreage, indicated intentions to reduce acreage 1 per cent, and Minnesota growers plan a 24 per cent reduction. These declines were more than offset by respective increases of 25 and 15 per cent in Montana and South Dakota.

Growers' intended seedings of Other spring wheat are the smallest in three years, and total 9,311,000 acres, 5 per cent below last year and 2 per cent below average. The indicated decline is the result of an expected small abandonment of winter wheat, leaving less acreage for reseeding to spring wheat, and a shift to barley. Also, 1966 all wheat allotments are smaller and a larger minimum diversion is required to participate in the 1966 Wheat Program. Reductions were indicated in most States. Prospective acreage is down one per cent from last year in both North and South Dakota and three per cent in Montana. The most drastic declines, in excess of 50 per cent, were indicated in Oregon, Washington and Colorado, where substantial reseeding of spring wheat on abandoned winter wheat acreage occurred in 1965. Soil moisture is good in most of the spring wheat producing States.

If yields are about average with an allowance for trend, the intended acreage of all spring wheat would produce a crop of about 281 million bushels. Adding this projected production to the December 1 estimate of winter wheat last fall, a total wheat crop of 1,340 million bushels is indicated for 1966. A crop of this size would be 1 per cent above 1965 and 10 per cent above average.

Crop and Weather  
Conditions

The following extract has been taken from the Weekly Weather and Crop Bulletin, published jointly by the United States Department of Commerce and United States Department of Agriculture for the week ending April 4, 1966. Above normal temperatures returned to the Great Plains. Small grain growth continued normal with greening extending northward into South Dakota. Most grains remained dormant in North Dakota and Minnesota. Very little rainfall occurred over the Plains area. With spring growth underway, shortages of soil moisture became more noticeable. Dryland wheat in New Mexico is in poor condition due to short moisture. Wheat on the Northern High Plains responded to warmer temperatures and entered the jointing stage of development; the crop began heading in southern areas. Small grains in east Texas also responded to the temperatures and continued to furnish considerable grazing. About 62 per cent of Oklahoma's wheat was in good to excellent condition. In Oklahoma, greenbug infestation is moderate and spraying is widespread; about 40 per cent of the State's wheat is jointed. In Kansas wheat showed good growth and was in good condition despite light wind damage and light insect infestation in southern areas. Spring oats were emerging but the crop needs moisture and also suffered some freeze damage. Wheat in the southern 1/2 of Nebraska made good to excellent development, while growth was just beginning in other areas.

Below normal temperatures prevailed over most of the area east of the Mississippi. These cooler temperatures slowed early spring small grain development in most areas. Growth and development of small grains made good progress in Louisiana, Mississippi, and Alabama. In the Southeast small grains remained in fair to good condition.

Seeding spring small grains continued to make good progress and was generally ahead of last year's progress. Over 95 per cent of Oklahoma's oats were seeded. Kansas seeding also made rapid progress with 80 per cent of the oats planted compared with an average of 68 per cent; barley was 64 per cent seeded -- average progress has been 59 per cent. Seeding oats also made good headway in Nebraska, except in the northwest where fields were too wet. In Iowa, oats were 12 per cent planted compared with only 1 per cent last year -- and an average of 9 per cent. Oat seeding was on schedule in Illinois, but in Ohio progress was well ahead with 28 per cent seeded.

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The world rye crop of 1965, estimated at 1,309 million bushels, was 4 per cent larger than in 1964 but was again below the 1955-59 average of 1,443 million bushels. Acreage was close to the preceding year's level, and generally good weather resulted in high yields in most world areas.

North America was the only continent that showed an increase in rye production, continuing the uptrend of recent years. The two producing countries -- Canada and the United States -- had crop increases of 78 and 21 per cent, respectively, over the 1955-59 average. Larger output in Canada was due both to more acreage planted and to further advances in per acre yields. U.S. acreage declined 14 per cent from 1964, but due to very high yields, production was only slightly below the high level of 1964.

Turkey, Finland, Portugal and Switzerland were the only countries other than Canada and the USSR that increased rye acreage in 1965. These countries generally had good crops.

Rye production of Western Europe was 15 per cent less than in 1964 and 23 per cent below the average. Acreage continued to decline below the 1955-59 average level. Also, weather was less favourable for production than in the preceding year. Much of this decrease occurred in the countries of the EEC. Continued declines in acreage resulted in total EEC countries producing 37 million bushels below that of 1964 and 52 million less than the average.

However, some countries of Eastern Europe had exceptionally good rye crops. Poland especially had an excellent harvest. Bulgaria, Hungary, and Rumania had as good or better crops than in 1964, while in the other East European countries reduced acreage held production below 1964, even though yields were generally at a high level.

Rye acreage of the USSR was up moderately from the preceding year, but was again below the former level. Higher yields resulted in a crop increase of 66 million bushels over 1964. Because of drought, Argentina's rye crop just harvested is reported at less than half the 1964 harvest of 25.6 million bushels, and about a third of the average production of 1955-59.

Editor's Note: The 1965-66 wheat crops in Australia and Argentina are now estimated at 253.6 million and 207.2 million bushels, respectively.



Cash Wheat Prices on the Kansas City and Minneapolis Markets

No. 2 Hard Winter, Kansas City			No. 1 Northern Spring, Minneapolis		
Date		Price	Date		Price
		cents per bushel			cents per bushel
March	1, 1966	161 3/4	March	1, 1966	173 3/4 - 209 3/4
	2	161 1/4 - 164 1/4		2	172 7/8 - 208 7/8
	3	165 1/2		3	172 1/8 - 208 1/8
	4	161		4	172 - 208
	7	161 3/4 - 162		7	173 - 209
	8	160 1/2 - 167 1/2		8	171 5/8 - 207 5/8
	9	161 - 164		9	171 3/4 - 207 3/4
	10	161 1/2 - 165		10	172 1/2 - 208 1/2
	11	163 1/4 - 170 1/4		11	173 7/8 - 209 7/8
	14	162 1/4 - 166		14	173 5/8 - 209 5/8
	15	165 1/4		15	172 5/8 - 208 5/8
	16	166		16	172 1/4 - 208 1/4
	17	164 3/4 - 165 3/4		17	171 1/4 - 207 1/4
	18	164 1/4 - 172 1/4		18	170 1/2 - 206 1/2
	21	161 3/4 - 163 3/4		21	169 7/8 - 204 7/8
	22	159 1/2 - 164		22	169 1/2 - 201 1/2
	23	165 1/2		23	Market Closed
	24	160 1/2 - 166 3/4		24	170 1/8 - 200 1/8
	25	164 3/4 - 168 3/4		25	170 3/8 - 198 3/8
	28	161		28	170 - 196
	29	159 1/2 - 164		29	169 1/2 - 195 1/2
	30	156 3/4 - 186 (1)		30	170 - 196
	31	159 1/2 - 160		31	169 3/4 - 170 3/4

(1) Nominal.

Chicago Wheat Futures, High Points of Closing

Date		March	May	July	September	December
		cents and eighths per bushel				
March	1, 1966	161/3	163/1	156/3	158/3	163
	2	162	163/6	156/6	158/4	163/2
	3	159/2	162	155/1	157/2	162
	4	159/6	162/3	155/7	158/1	163
	7	159/4	161/7	155/5	157/5	162/4
	8	159/4	161/7	155/5	157/5	162/4
	9	158/7	162	156	158	163
	10	160/6	162/6	156/4	158/5	163/3
	11	160/3	162/4	156/2	158/2	162/7
	14	160/3	162/4	156/2	158/2	162/7
	15	159/5	161/5	155/4	157/5	162/2
	16	159/2	161/4	155/3	157/3	161/7
	17	159/3	160/7	155	156/7	161/6
	18	159/1	161/1	155	157	161/6
	21	158	159/6	153/7	155/6	160/6
	22	158	158/6	153/1	154/2	160
	23		158	153/7	155/6	160/6
	24		159/1	154/3	156/3	161/3
	25		160/1	155/4	157/4	162/4
	28		159/3	155/2	157/3	162/2
	29		157/6	153/6	155/6	160/6
	30		158/4	155	157/2	162
	31		157	154/4	156/5	161/4



# AUSTRALIAN SITUATION

## Wheat Supplies 29 Per Cent Less Than Previous Year

After harvesting three consecutive record crops, Australian wheat growers experienced a substantial set-back in 1965-66, as production of this crop declined to some 253.6 million bushels in contrast to the peak total of 370.0 million a year previous. This decline sharply offset a moderate increase of about 4 million bushels in carryover stocks and, as a result, total supplies for the 1965-66 crop year amount to an estimated 278.0 million bushels as against 390.5 million in 1964-65. After making an allowance of 90.0 million bushels for anticipated domestic requirements, an estimated 188.0 million are available for export and for carryover during 1965-66, 35 per cent less than the 291.4 million in 1964-65.

## Exports Decline By One Quarter

Combined exports of wheat as grain and wheat flour in terms of grain equivalent during the period December 1-February 26 of the current Australian crop year amounted to 44.5 million bushels, 25 per cent below the 59.2 million exported during the corresponding period of the 1964-65 crop year. The balance remaining on February 27, 1966 for export and for carryover, at 143.5 million bushels, was in sharp contrast to the comparable 1965 total of 232.2 million.

## Australian Wheat Supplies

Item	1964-65 (1)	1965-66 (2)
	million bushels	
Carryover, including flour as wheat, at beginning of crop year (December 1) .....	20.5	24.4 (1)
Production .....	370.0	253.6 (1)
Total estimated domestic supplies .....	390.5	278.0
Less estimated domestic requirements for crop year .....	99.1	90.0
Available for export and for carryover .....	291.4	188.0
Deduct:		
Exports of wheat as grain, December 1-February 26 ....	52.8	40.7
Exports of wheat flour in terms of wheat, December 1-February 26 .....	6.4	3.8
Total exports of wheat and wheat flour .....	59.2	44.5
Balance on February 27 for export and for carryover ....	232.2	143.5

(1) Revised.

(2) Preliminary.

The following information relative to the Australian situation has been extracted from a report from Mr. D. I. Campbell, Assistant Commercial Secretary for Canada, Canberra, under date of March 11, 1966 and is reproduced with the permission of the Trade Commissioner Service, Department of Trade and Commerce.

New South Wales  
Wheat Situation

According to the Cereals Specialist with the New South Wales Department of Agriculture many landholders who have lost sheep and cattle in the drought may grow wheat this year instead of restocking. A record wheat acreage was expected if good rains fell in the wheat area during autumn and winter. Some individual growers have suggested that if conditions become suitable they plan to increase sowings by 40 per cent or more.

Further entry of grazing properties in more marginal areas into wheat production can be expected if suitable rain falls. Heavy grazing and little regrowth meant a considerable area of almost bare grazing land - as yet unploughed - could be prepared quickly if suitable rain fell. In the past 16 months all sections of the wheat belt had received below-average rainfall in 12 or more months. Because of this poor rainfall - and the almost complete depletion of sub-soil moisture supplies - conditions from now on would need to be well above-average to ensure a satisfactory crop.

F.A.Q. Standards in  
Western Australia

West Australia's 1965-66 F.A.Q. wheat standard at 62 1/2 lb. per imperial bushel weight is the lowest for many years. This was due to the unseasonable weather conditions that prevailed during harvesting operations. This season's F.A.Q. standard is lower than that of the 1963-64 season of 62 3/4 lb. per bushel. Meanwhile it compares most unfavourably with that of the 1962-63 record of 65 1/2 lb. per bushel, and 1964-65 figure of 64 1/4 lb. per bushel.

Standards fixed in other States so far are:

South Australia F.A.Q., 63 lb. per bushel; semi-hard 62 1/2 lb. per bushel; Victoria, 63 3/4 lb. per bushel; N.S.W., Southern-Western, 63 lb. per bushel.

Expansion in Australian  
Wheat Production

Dr. A. R. Callaghan, Chairman of the Australian Wheat Board, recently said Australia should continue to expand food production to the limit of its resources. On Australian production, Dr. Callaghan said the drought in Queensland and New South Wales had cut wheat production by approximately 100 million bushels, and receivals anticipated for this year were 233 million bushels. Australia expected to market 153 million bushels overseas, keeping 60 million bushels for home consumption and 20 million bushels as a carryover for local requirements.

China and the Soviet Union had increased their international purchases; India needed millions of tons because of its famine; South Africa needed wheat against crop failure due to drought; and France had fallen short due to failure of its winter sowings. Canadian sales were limited by shipping, he said. The resources of the United States were taxed to the extent of barely meeting carryover requirements and Argentina, which had oversold, was no longer an exporter. China, Australia's biggest wheat purchaser last year, had contracted to buy 18.75 million bushels, in addition to 70 million bushels already outstanding. This left Australia in a good position for expansion of acreage.



Exports of Australian Wheat and Wheat Flour in Terms of Wheat  
December 1-February 26, 1965-66 and Corresponding Period 1964-65

Destination	Wheat		Wheat Flour	
	1964-65	1965-66	1964-65	1965-66
thousand bushels				
<u>Western Europe</u>				
Britain .....	4,153	6,698	596	400
Ireland .....	785	752	-	-
Malta .....	-	271	-	-
Norway .....	1,298	-	-	-
Totals .....	6,236	7,721	596	400
<u>Eastern Europe</u>				
U.S.S.R. (Russia) .....	1,187	6,009	-	-
<u>Africa</u>				
Kenya .....	41	-	-	-
Malawi .....	-	-	66	77
Mauritius .....	-	-	207	75
Rhodesia .....	713	406	-	-
South Africa .....	-	1,545	-	-
Zambia .....	-	213	-	-
Zanzibar .....	-	-	32	-
Others .....	4	6	22	21
Totals .....	758	2,169	327	173
<u>Asia</u>				
Aden .....	178	467	-	-
Aden and Aden I/T .....	-	-	291	163
Aden and Aden I/T Atta .....	-	-	128	109
Arabian Gulf .....	-	-	69	29
Arabian Gulf Atta .....	-	-	530	362
Brunei .....	-	-	3	-
Ceylon .....	6	4	2,209	1,438
China .....	27,084	11,372	-	-
Formosa .....	39	463	-	-
Hong Kong .....	413	540	29	16
India .....	4,069	-	-	-
Indonesia .....	-	-	22	59
Iran .....	6,099	6,069	-	-
Japan .....	3,553	1,644	-	-
Korea North .....	-	561	-	-
Kuwait .....	373	-	-	-
Lebanon .....	667	-	-	-
Philippines .....	-	-	173	5
Saudi Arabia .....	246	188	43	125
Thailand .....	158	89	120	57



Exports of Australian Wheat and Wheat Flour in Terms of Wheat  
December 1-February 26, 1965-66 and Corresponding Period 1964-65

Destination	Wheat		Wheat Flour	
	1964-65	1965-66	1964-65	1965-66
thousand bushels				
<u>Asia (concluded)</u>				
<u>Malaysia</u>				
Malaya .....	1	540	719	140
Malaya Atta .....	-	-	19	15
Sabah .....	-	-	44	21
Sarawak .....	-	-	54	18
Singapore .....	751	1,518	300	11
Singapore Atta .....	-	-	1	(1)
Singapore A/C B.W.O. ....	-	-	17	6
Others .....	45	48	24	17
Totals .....	43,682	23,503	4,795	2,591
<u>Oceania</u>				
New Zealand .....	930	1,289	-	-
<u>Western Hemisphere</u>				
Peru .....	-	-	3	-
West Indies Area .....	-	-	146	38
Totals .....	-	-	149	38
<u>Pacific Area and Sundries</u>				
Pacific Islands, Ships' Stores and Sundries .....	9	10	533	599
Totals, All Countries .....	52,800	40,700	6,400	3,800

(1) Less than 500 bushels.

ARGENTINE SITUATION

1965-66 Wheat Supplies  
Lower Than Previous Year

Estimated total supplies of wheat in the Argentine for the 1965-66 (December-November) crop year amount to 300.1 million bushels, consisting of the December 1, 1965 carryover of 92.9 million and the new crop, placed at 207.2 million. Indicated supplies for the current Argentine crop year, reflecting a relatively sharp decline in production, are about 35 per cent less than the 1964-65 total of 459.3 million. After making an allowance of 135.2 million bushels for anticipated domestic requirements, an estimated 164.9 million are available for export and for carryover as against 324.4 million in 1964-65.

Preliminary exports of wheat and wheat flour in terms of wheat equivalent during December 1965-February 1966 amounted to 63.5 million bushels, 38 per cent larger than the 46.0 million exported during the same months in 1964-65. The balance remaining on March 1, 1966 for export and for carryover was estimated at 101.4 million bushels, in sharp contrast to the March 1, 1965 total of 278.4 million.

#### Argentine Wheat Supplies

Item	1964-65 (1)	1965-66 (2)
	million bushels	
Carryover at beginning of crop year (December 1) (3) ...	88.2	92.9
Production .....	371.1	207.2 (1)
Total estimated domestic supplies .....	459.3	300.1
Less estimated domestic requirements for crop year .....	134.9	135.2
Available for export and for carryover .....	324.4	164.9
Deduct:		
Exports of wheat as grain, December-February .....	45.9	63.3
Exports of wheat flour in terms of wheat, December-February .....	0.2	0.1
Total exports of wheat and wheat flour .....	46.0	63.5
Balance on March 1 for export and for carryover .....	278.4	101.4

(1) Revised.

(2) Preliminary.

(3) Includes allowances for farm stocks.

The following account of the Argentine situation has been extracted from a report from Mr. H.E. Ryan, Assistant Commercial Secretary (Agriculture), Buenos Aires, under date of March 22, 1966 and is reproduced with the permission of the Trade Commissioner Service, Department of Trade and Commerce. Where possible, conversions to Canadian measures and currency have been made for the convenience of our readers.

#### Weather

Devastating rains and floods have affected several Argentine provinces, especially those in the north, Formosa, El Chaco, Corrientes and Misiones. The swollen rivers are now affecting grain production regions in the provinces of Santa Fe and Buenos Aires, and continuing rains make producers fear many losses in the corn and sorghum crops, which so far had looked most promising.

The wheat and flax crops are now beyond the critical stage but the present rains will serve to create more than ample moisture reserves for the sowings of the next 1966-67 crop.



## Wheat

The wheat trade was plagued during the period under review, by labour unrest and other problems, and thus the flow of grain from producers to elevators and to ports, was subject to many delays creating bottlenecks at ports. Long queues of trucks and railway cars still await unloading.

The market for bread wheat was steady but with no increase in prices, as exporters, particularly, were paying just above the minimum level of 802 pesos per 100 kilos (\$1.28 per bushel). Millers were paying somewhat more, 880 pesos per 100 kilos (\$1.37 per bushel) on deferred payment terms.

There was some trade with European countries, small parcels were sold, for February shipment, at U\$S 68.25 per ton (\$2.00 per bushel) c.i.f. European port. There was a continuous increase in the prices for Durum. At the end of February quotations averaged 1,040 pesos per 100 kilos (\$1.62 per bushel), both in Buenos Aires and in Bahía Blanca. Lots were traded for export at U\$S 78 per ton (\$2.28 per bushel) c.i.f. for February shipment, and at U\$S 80 (\$2.34 per bushel) for June-July shipment, both for Italy. Other continental buyers were offering U\$S 77.50 per ton (\$2.27 per bushel), for February-April shipment.

Prices of bread wheat, in the Buenos Aires Futures Market, towards the end of February, averaged per 100 kilos: 874 pesos (\$1.36 per bushel) for March delivery, 912 (\$1.42 per bushel) for April, 953 (\$1.48 per bushel) for May, 977 (\$1.52 per bushel) for June. By early March, prices were: 905 (\$1.41 per bushel) for April delivery, 942 (\$1.46 per bushel) for May, 970 (\$1.51 per bushel) for June. At present, prices are as follows: 874 (\$1.36 per bushel) for April, 907 (\$1.41 per bushel) for May, 923 (\$1.44 per bushel) for June and 954 (\$1.48 per bushel) for July. Present prices in the Buenos Aires Cereal Exchange are: for hard wheat, 865 pesos per 100 kilos (\$1.35 per bushel); semi-hard, 839 per 100 kilos (\$1.30 per bushel) and for Durums, 1,030 (\$1.60 per bushel).

The National Grain Board has announced, that up to March 11 its purchase of new wheat lots had amounted to 1,670,784 metric tons (61,390,000 bushels), for a total value of 13.7 billion pesos (\$78.3 million).

Shipments during February totalled some 500,000 metric tons (18,372,000 bushels), and for the first three months of the 1965-66 crop year, tentatively totalled 1,724,000 tons (63,345,000 bushels). This compared with 1,248,282 metric tons (45,866,000 bushels) exported during the same period in 1964-65.

The newly established price for the 1966-67 crop year, of 1,000 pesos per 100 kilos (\$1.56 per bushel), is already estimated to be insufficient in the opinion of trade circles in the province of Santa Fe, to meet production costs when the time comes for the harvest of that crop. However, it is almost impossible to forecast what the actual production cost will be by the later months of 1966, and larger seedings should be expected.

The Secretariat of Agriculture and Livestock is trying to implement one of the objectives of the Five Year National Development Plan, namely a stabilization in wheat production at about 8,000,000 metric tons (293,946,000 bushels) annually. For this purpose a series of meetings of experts were started last month in the experimental station at Pergamino. Two basic points for discussion are the use of fertilizers and improved varieties. The use of nitrogen fertilizers will be promoted in the initial phase in the central humid wheat regions where there is an average rainfall of 800 mm. (31 inches) per year. Regarding new varieties, some of the hard type are already in the market and showing worthwhile characteristics.

# FRENCH SITUATION

The following account of the current grain situation in France has been extracted from a report by Mr. J.E. Montgomery, Assistant Commercial Secretary, Canadian Embassy, Paris, under date of March 30, 1966, 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.

## Market Conditions of Wheat

Within France the grain market is very quiet due to a reduced demand. Since exports are not active the problem of placing the current surplus of 900,000 metric tons (33,069,000 bushels) remains and a special effort is underway to increase sales to state trading countries.

After the purchase of 45,000 metric tons (1,653,000 bushels) by East Germany on March 10, Hungary is likely to buy the balance of its contract of about 70,000 metric tons (2,572,000 bushels). Iran is still a possible buyer but is not satisfied with the quality France has to offer. If credit is forthcoming Egypt may still be in the market. If deliveries from the U.S. are delayed Algeria may also buy.

It is expected that EEC countries will absorb 150,000 to 200,000 metric tons (5,511,000 to 7,349,000 bushels) by the end of the crop year. Since the 1966 harvest is expected to be lower than in 1965, it is also expected that the French government may decide to increase its stocks by several hundred thousand tons. These stocks now stand at 1,200,000 metric tons (44,092,000 bushels).

The following table gives a summary of Export and Import certificates issued up until March 11, 1966:

## Imports

thousand bushels

Wheat .....	7,864
Durum wheat .....	10,391
Corn .....	13,060

## Exports

Wheat  
thousand bushels

Special contracts ....	64,923
EEC .....	21,131
Third countries .....	16,338
I.M.E.X. (1) .....	6,766
Africa .....	5,657

(1) I.M.E.X.: export and import operations  
i.e. exports without rebate giving the  
right to import the same tonnage within  
3 months free of levy.

In order to clarify the situation, the following is a summary of the quantities remaining for export up to May 31, 1966:



Wheat  
thousand bushels

Quantity to be cleared	
July 1, 1965 .....	8,341
Certificates issued from	
July 1, 1965 to February 28, 1966..	112,986
Export deliveries from	
July 1, 1965 to January 31, 1966 ..	85,024
Balance for export at	
February 1, 1966 .....	36,302

Seeding and  
Weather Conditions

Since February 20, improved weather conditions have permitted growers to continue seeding, particularly in the North and West. This has regained a certain part of the backlog of seeding but the deficit of wheat seeding continues to be high, at some 625,000 hectares (1,544,000 acres) compared with the last crop year.

Area Seeded to Cereals at March 1

Grain	Average 1961-65	1965	1966
thousand acres			
Wheat .....	10,015	10,775 (1)	9,222 (2)
Rye and wheat .....	28	26	24
Rye .....	611	557	524
Barley .....	817	811	678
Oats .....	755	655	545
Mixed grain .....	95	95	118
Totals .....	12,321	12,919	11,111

(1) Including 66,000 acres of Durum wheat.

(2) Including 58,000 acres of Durum wheat.

Despite exceptional measures taken to improve the delivery of seed as alternatives to wheat and spring wheat, many farmers have hesitated to purchase seed which is relatively costly with the uncertainty that they will be able to seed in time.

This confirms that this crop year will be marked by an overall decrease in area seeded to wheat and a slight increase in barley acreage.

The mild weather of February favoured growth and improved seeding conditions. In March, colder weather has resulted in a temporary setback.

CALENDAR OF WHEAT EVENTS

- March 10 According to the Bureau of the Census, United States Department of Commerce, wheat flour production in the United States in January 1966 amounted to 20,000,000 hundredweight, an average of 961,000 hundred-weight per working day.
- 16 Based on farmers' intentions at March 1, the acreage seeded to all classes of wheat in Canada in 1966 will be 29.6 million acres, an increase of 5 per cent over the 1965 seedings but 2.8 million acres or 11 per cent above the 1960-64 average.
- 18 According to a report published by the Crop Reporting Board, United States Department of Agriculture, prospective plantings of spring wheat may total a little above average with Durum wheat, at 2.3 million acres, about the same as last year but 11 per cent greater than average and Other Spring Wheat, at 9.3 million acres, 5 per cent lower than last year and 2 per cent below average.
- 31 According to World Agricultural Production and Trade, published by the United States Department of Agriculture, world wheat production was estimated at 9,000 million bushels compared with the record 9,300 million bushels in 1964, and 8,300 million in 1963. Record crops were harvested in North America, Europe and Asia.
- April 5 The Canadian Wheat Board announced that the first contract under the revised wheat Agreement with China had been signed. This Agreement calls for the sale to China of 59.7 million bushels of Wheat during the first five months of the new crop year, August through December, 1966. Of this quantity, 37.3 million bushels will be shipped from Pacific Coast ports and 22.4 million bushels from St. Lawrence River/Atlantic ports. The grades concerned will be predominantly No. 4 Northern and No. 5 Wheat, with limited quantities of No. 3 Northern and Durum Wheat.
- 7 According to the Bureau of the Census, United States Department of Commerce wheat flour production in the United States in February 1966 amounted to 20,000,000 hundredweight, an average of 978,000 hundred-weight per working day.
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