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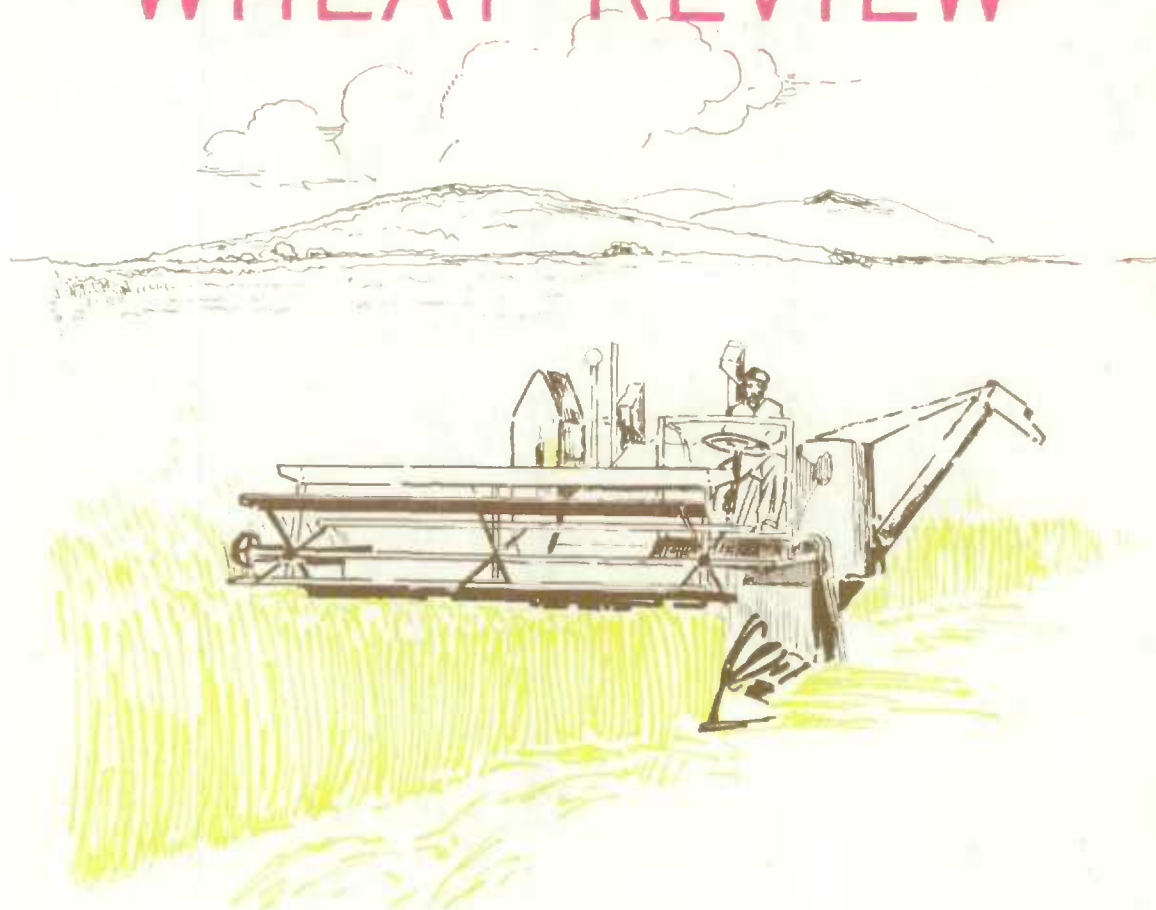


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WORLD WHEAT SITUATION

World Wheat Exports Lower than Previous Year

Total exports of wheat and wheat flour in terms of wheat from the four traditional major exporters during the August-June period of the current crop year have amounted to

1,275.3 million bushels, a decrease of 15 per cent from the 1,494.3 million bushels exported during the same eleven months in 1966-67, but 7 per cent above the ten-year (1956-57 - 1965-66) average shipments for the period of some 1,195.2 million bushels. As indicated in the accompanying table, based on the Canadian crop year, United States was the only one of the four major exporters with shipments higher this year than last.

Exports of Wheat and Flour in Terms of Wheat, August 1967 - June 1968 with Comparisons

August - June	United States	Canada	Argentina	Australia	Total
million bushels					
1950-51	346.4	209.1	87.5	119.7	762.7
1951-52	446.1	312.9	24.1	86.4	869.5
1952-53	296.7	341.4	29.3	94.8	762.2
1953-54	190.7	234.3	101.2	57.0	583.2
1954-55	253.2	231.9	123.0	88.6	696.7
1955-56	317.8	284.1	103.3	96.3	801.5
1956-57	507.2	241.9	93.2	115.6	957.9
1957-58	370.0	294.6	70.2	57.2	792.0
1958-59	416.3	274.7	95.7	71.5	858.2
1959-60	470.1	259.7	67.5	103.9	901.2
1960-61	618.4	324.4	60.7	170.2	1,173.7
1961-62	659.2	336.2	85.2	206.2	1,286.8
1962-63	593.6	308.6	56.9	163.6	1,122.7
1963-64	794.4	529.2	99.4	259.8	1,682.8
1964-65	665.5	372.3	150.7	225.2	1,413.7
1965-66	798.0	519.5	265.4	179.8	1,762.7
1966-67 ^r	672.6	479.3	98.9	243.5	1,494.3
1967-68P	699.0	291.8	50.6	233.9	1,275.3

P Preliminary figures.

^r Revised figures.

Wheat Supplies of Four Major Exporters Above a Year Ago

Supplies of wheat held by the four traditional major exporters for export and for carryover, at July 1, 1968 amounted to 1,469.9 million bushels compared with 1,266.5 million at July 1, 1967. Supplies were larger in United

States, Canada and Argentina while those in Australia were smaller. Supplies at July 1, 1968, in millions of bushels, were held as follows, with last year's comparable figures in brackets: United States, 537.2 (425.0; Canada, 717.8 (612.8); Argentina, 87.6 (21.4); and Australia, 127.3 (207.3).

International Wheat Council
Cumulative Totals of Commercial Purchases by Importing Countries from Exporting Countries
Crop Year 1967-68 - Through June 29, 1968

Importing countries	Exporting countries									Total purchases
	Canada	Argentina	Australia	France	Italy	Spain	Sweden	U.S.A.	U.S.S.R.	
thousand bushels										
Austria	638	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	639
Barbados	248	—	107	—	—	—	—	57	—	412
Belgium & Luxembourg	8,850	176	859	3,817	—	—	2	4,953	118	18,775
Brazil	—	14,368	3,661	5,624	—	3,803	—	22,722	1,194	51,372
Costa Rica	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	1,679	—	1,682
Dominican Republic ..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	937	—	937
Ecuador	293	—	—	—	—	—	—	1,803	—	2,096
El Salvador	168	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,070	—	2,238
Finland	962	—	—	—	—	—	—	134	551	1,647
Germany, Fed. Rep. ..	15,963	33	493	8,267	2	—	2,245	13,093	143	40,239
Greece	59	—	—	58	—	—	—	47	—	164
Guatemala	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,436	—	2,443
Haiti	19	—	—	—	—	—	—	869	—	888
Iceland	5	—	—	10	—	—	—	181	—	196
India	1,303	—	12,765	1	—	—	—	11,177	—	25,246
Ireland	1,160	—	1,219	236	—	—	—	304	55	2,974
Israel	—	—	225	—	8	—	—	7,289	—	7,522
Japan	37,017	—	22,693	—	—	—	—	76,606	—	136,316
Korea, Rep. of	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	13,920	—	13,920
Lebanon	17	—	2,536	1,813	139	—	—	2,379	—	6,884
Libya	—	—	148	434	812	—	—	2	—	1,396
Netherlands	4,710	1,162	4,293	6,810	1	—	290	22,412	5,636	45,314
Neth. Territories	146	—	—	20	—	—	—	926	—	1,092
Nigeria	582	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,758	—	3,340
Norway	1,707	37	2,666	374	—	—	3,307	1,578	1,348	11,017
Peru	24	8,844	3,716	—	—	—	—	7,551	—	20,135
Portugal	16	737	—	1,585	3	3,307	—	602	—	6,250
Port. Territories	194	—	936	2,289	21	—	—	1,071	—	4,511
Saudi Arabia	147	—	1,804	503	—	—	—	5,618	—	8,072
Sierra Leone	11	—	—	95	—	—	—	523	—	629
South Africa	902	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	902
Southern Rhodesia ...	—	—	1,919	—	—	—	—	—	—	1,919
Switzerland	2,471	7	10	5,840	—	—	—	2,504	—	10,832
Trinidad & Tobago ...	450	—	—	171	—	—	—	2,485	—	3,106
Tunisia	—	—	—	1,328	—	—	—	4,669	—	5,997
United Arab Republic	—	—	—	14,147	680	—	2,572	864	—	18,263
United Kingdom	61,204	1,574	22,017	7,797	—	—	1,507	8,157	5,393	107,649
U.K. Territories ..	2,489	—	6,255	1,155	2	—	—	1,474	—	11,375
Venezuela	3,070	—	—	279	—	—	—	23,281	—	26,630
Western Samoa	3	—	144	—	—	—	—	—	—	147
To orders	—	2,370	—	—	—	—	2,756	—	—	5,126
Totals	144,838	29,308	88,466	62,654	1,668	7,110	12,679	249,131	14,438	610,292
Percentage of total sales by exporting countries	23.73	4.80	14.50	10.27	0.27	1.16	2.08	40.82	2.37	100.00

Note: France - Quantities cover custom clearances for period ending April 30, 1968.

Italy - Quantities cover period ending June 15, 1968.

Mexico & Spain - Report only when purchases are made.

CANADIAN SITUATION

Wheat Supplies Below
Record 1966-67 Level

Reflecting a sharp drop in production, which more than offset a substantial rise in carryover stocks, the 1967 wheat crop in Canada is placed at 592.9 million bushels, representing a decline of 28 per cent from the record outturn of 827.3 million in 1966. At the same time, carryover stocks climbed by 37 per cent from 420.1 million at July 31, 1966 to 576.8 million in 1967. After deducting 160.0 million bushels for anticipated domestic requirements, estimated supplies available for export and for carryover during 1967-68 amount to 1,009.7 million bushels, 8 per cent less than the 1,092.1 million available in 1966-67.

August - June Exports
Down from Year Ago

Exports of wheat and flour in terms of wheat equivalent amounted to 291.8 million bushels during the August - June period of the current crop year compared with the previous year's corresponding total of 479.3 million and the ten-year (1956-57 - 1965-66) average for the period of 346.1 million bushels. This year's exports consisted of 268.7 million bushels of wheat in bulk, 743 thousand of seed and 22.4 million of flour in terms of wheat. During the comparable period last year these figures were 447.7 million of wheat in bulk, 700 thousand of seed wheat and 30.9 million of flour in wheat equivalent. The balance remaining on July 1, 1968 for export and for carryover amounted to 717.8 million bushels, 17 per cent above the July 1, 1967 total of 612.8 million.

Canadian Wheat Supplies

Item	1966-67 ^r	1967-68P
	million bushels	
Carryover in North America at beginning of crop year (August 1)	420.1	576.8
Production	827.3	592.9
Imports of wheat for domestic use, August - June	(1)	(2)
Total estimated supplies	1,247.5	1,169.7
Less estimated domestic requirements for crop year ...	155.4	160.0
Available for export and carryover	1,092.1	1,009.7
<u>Deduct</u>		
Exports of wheat in bulk, August - June(3)	447.7	268.7
Exports of seed wheat, August - June(4)	0.7	0.7
Total exports of wheat as grain	448.4	269.4
Exports of wheat flour in terms of wheat, August - June(4)	30.9	22.4
Total exports of wheat and wheat flour	479.3	291.8
Balance on July 1 for export and for carryover	612.8	717.8

(1) Less than 50,000 bushels. (2) Not available. (3) As reported by the Board of Grain Commissioners. (4) Customs returns, 1966-67 adjusted for time lag.

P Preliminary figures. ^r Revised figures.

Marketings, Disappearance
and Visible Supplies

Total primary deliveries of wheat (both east and west) up to July 24 of the current crop year have amounted to 438.9 million bushels in contrast to the 611.2

million marketed during the same period of the previous year. Some 51.7 million bushels of this year's total were delivered during the five weeks June 20 to July 24, 1968. During the same period the volume of Canadian wheat entering domestic and export channels amounted to 51.0 million bushels. As a result, the total visible supply of Canadian wheat increased from 426.1 million at June 19 to a level of 426.8 million at July 24, 1968.

The total visible supply of Canadian wheat at July 24 this year represented increases of 23 per cent and 45 per cent, respectively, over their comparable levels of 347.4 million bushels in 1967 and the 294.3 million in 1966. Country elevator stocks, amounting to 246.1 million bushels, were considerably above both the 1967 comparable total of 184.4 million and the 1966 figure of 159.0 million. Wheat stocks at interior terminals, at July 24, 1968 totalled 13.7 million bushels, compared with the 13.5 million of the previous year and in sharp contrast to the 1966 total of 2.1 million. Wheat stocks "in transit rail" (western division) amounted to 18.5 million bushels, 6 per cent below the 19.6 million of a year ago and 9 per cent less than the 20.4 million of two years ago. Supplies at the Canadian Lakehead, totalling some 63.0 million bushels, were above both the 43.4 million at July 26, 1967 and the 36.6 million at July 20, 1966. The 12.4 million bushels "in transit lake" at July 24, 1968 were considerably higher than the comparable 3.5 million of 1967 but unchanged from the 12.4 of 1966. The 28.5 million bushels in Bay, Lake and Upper St. Lawrence ports, were lower than the 31.5 million of the previous year but above the 9.4 million of two years ago. Supplies in Lower St. Lawrence and Maritime ports this year, at 22.6 million bushels, registered decreases from both the 30.0 million of 1967 and the 28.3 million of 1966. The 11.7 million bushels in West Coast ports (Vancouver-New Westminster, Prince Rupert and Victoria) were above the 10.1 million of the previous year but below the 13.4 million in this position two years ago.

June 1968 Exports of
Wheat and Flour Total
42.2 Million Bushels

Combined exports of wheat in bulk, seed wheat and wheat flour in terms of grain equivalent, amounted to 42.2 million bushels during June 1968. This volume, while 5 per cent below last month's total of 44.3 million and 16

per cent less than the 50.3 million of June 1967 was 15 per cent above the ten-year (1957-66) average for the month of June of 36.8 million. Exports of wheat in bulk (as reported by the Board of Grain Commissioners) during June 1968 totalled 40.8 million bushels, 4 per cent below the May 1968 total of 42.3 million, 14 per cent less than the June 1967 figure of 47.5 million but 21 per cent above the ten-year average figure of 33.8 million. Based on Canadian Customs returns, the equivalent of 1.4 million bushels of wheat was exported in the form of flour during June 1968. Decreases were registered from the previous month's figure of 1.9 million bushels, the adjusted June 1967 total of 2.8 million and the ten-year average of 2.9 million.

Cumulative exports of wheat in bulk during the August-June period of the current crop year amounted to 268.7 million bushels, representing decreases from the 1966-67 comparable figure of 447.7 million, and the ten-year average for the period of 308.6 million. This year's shipment of wheat to Britain totalled some 58.1 million bushels and accounted for 22 per cent of the eleven-month total exports of wheat in bulk form, while during August-June 1966-67 shipments amounted to 60.5 million and accounted for 14 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:

Communist China, 45.7 (85.9); U.S.S.R. (Russia), 45.4 (83.2); Japan, 35.1 (55.0); Federal Republic of Germany, 16.0 (21.3); India, 11.0 (40.4); Belgium and Luxembourg, 8.8 (13.2); Italy, 7.6 (8.4); Netherlands, 5.5 (2.4); and Cuba, 5.5 (6.5).

Cumulative exports of seed wheat during August-June of the current crop year, based on Canadian Customs returns, amounted to 743 thousand bushels compared with last year's corresponding total (adjusted to remove time lag) of 700 thousand.

Cumulative exports of wheat flour during the first eleven months of the 1967-68 crop year, based on Customs returns, were the equivalent of 22.4 million bushels, and registered a decrease from the adjusted August 1966-June 1967 total of 30.9 million. The major market for wheat flour during the period under review was Cuba with purchases amounting to 10.2 million bushels and accounted for 46 per cent of the first eleven-month total. During the comparable period of 1966-67 shipments to Cuba amounted to 12.2 million and accounted for 40 per cent of the total. Other principal markets for Canadian wheat flour in terms of grain equivalent during the August-June period of the 1967-68 crop year, with revised data for the same months of the preceding crop year in brackets, were as follows, in thousands of bushels: Britain, 2,697 (5,103); Ghana, 1,505 (1,239); Jamaica, 1,457 (1,373); Ceylon, 860 (1,049); and Leeward and Windward Islands, 743 (923).

Lake Shipments of Canadian Grain Total shipments of the six major grains out of Lakehead terminals from the opening of navigation to July 24 this year amounted to 97.7 million bushels, sharply below the 202.0 million shipped during the same period in 1967. In 1968 the season of navigation opened on April 10 while the 1967 season opened on April 13. Shipments of wheat, at 77.2 million were also below the previous year's total of 140.5 million and accounted for 79 per cent of the total compared to 70 per cent last year.

Lake Shipments of Canadian Grain from the Opening of Navigation to July 24, 1968 and to Approximately the Same Date 1957 to 1967

Year	Wheat	Oats	Barley	Rye	Flaxseed	Rapeseed	Total
thousand bushels							
1957	86,178	19,264	22,115	3,703	5,815	—	137,074
1958	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
1962	62,620	7,025	11,141	1,176	2,942	—	84,904
1963	80,953	19,329	10,077	1,485	2,839	—	114,683
1964	164,866	11,159	14,401	2,215	4,421	—	197,061
1965	100,392	18,456	14,183	1,948	3,947	559	139,486
1966	161,940	13,419	16,704	3,818	6,084	555	202,521
1967	140,512	16,085	37,550	2,745	4,609	530	202,031
1968	77,196	7,968	8,764	567	2,930	255	97,681

Delivery Quota
1968-69 Crop Year

The Canadian Wheat Board in its Instructions to the Trade re Quotas (General) No. 1 under date of July 29, 1968 announced that the Board wishes to advise that all delivery quotas in effect in the 1967-68 crop year, including open quotas, supplementary quotas, special permits, etc., will automatically expire as at the close of business July 31, 1968.

Effective on and after August 1, 1968, the Board's quota policy for the 1968-69 crop year will be as follows:

Initial Delivery Quota 1968-69 Crop Year. — Wheat (including Durum), Oats, Barley and Rye effective at all delivery points on and after August 1, 1968, 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 1968 permit books of the equivalent of one hundred (100) units. Each such unit shall be the equivalent of four (4) bushels of Wheat or ten (10) bushels of Oats or six (6) bushels of Barley or six (6) 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 400 bushels of Wheat or 1,000 bushels of Oats or 600 bushels of Barley or 600 bushels of Rye, or any combination of these grains which, when calculated on the unit basis outlined herein, 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 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 four (4) in the case of Wheat, or ten (10) in the case of Oats, or six (6) 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 Units Delivered" column; for example, a load of 151.4 bushels would be entered as 37.8 units in the case of Wheat, 15.1 units in the case of Oats or 25.2 units if it consisted of Barley or Rye.

Flaxseed. — Effective August 1, at all delivery points within the designated area a quota of five (5) bushels per acre seeded to flaxseed as shown in the individual producer's permit book or two hundred and fifty (250) bushels, whichever is the larger.

All deliveries made under this quota must be properly recorded in the producer's permit book on Page 6 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 five (5) bushels per acre seeded to rapeseed as shown in the individual producer's permit book or two hundred and fifty (250) bushels, whichever is the larger.

All deliveries made under this quota must be properly recorded in the producer's permit book on Page 7 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. — Effective August 1, 1968, the Board will 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 covering the foregoing provisions are outlined in Instructions to the Trade re Quotas (General) No. 2 of July 29, 1968.

General Delivery Quotas 1968-69 Crop Year. — Following the initial quota, the Board will establish general quotas at individual delivery points as elevator space becomes available, based on "specified acreage". For the purpose of this Instruction "specified acreage" means the total acreage, accepted by the Board as being accurately listed in a permit book, and shown as seeded to each of wheat, durum wheat, oats, barley and rye, plus acreage summer-fallowed or cultivated and producing eligible forage crops. Eligible forage crops are any forage crops except the following cash crops:

mustard seed	potatoes
soya beans	corn
field beans	sunflower seed
field peas	sugar beets
buckwheat	fruits and market garden crops

The total "specified acreage" for each farm unit is shown in the 1968-69 permit book as the "sub total" in the tabulation of seeded acres.

General quotas do not apply to flaxseed or rapeseed.

Comment. — Please note that the Canadian Wheat Board Act provides that:

- (a) the person delivering grain must be the actual producer of it or entitled to it as a producer;
- (b) if the grain was produced during the crop year it must be delivered by the producer of it under the permit listing the land it was produced on, or if produced by the producer during a previous crop year it may be delivered under the producer's current permit regardless of the land it was produced on.

It is expected that the past experience of producers and elevator managers 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.

It will be appreciated if all companies will bring the 1968-69 quota policy to the attention of elevator managers and producers.

General Quota Position By July 31, 1968 out of a total of 1,880 shipping points in the Western division, the Canadian Wheat Board had placed 1,849 points on a delivery quota of 6 bushels per specified acre. Of the remainder 31 stations were reported as "closed".

Summary of Elevator Shipping Points in the Western Division
as at July 31, 1968

Province	General quota in bushels per specified acre	Closed	Total
	Six		
Ontario	1	—	1
Manitoba	325	6	331
Saskatchewan	1,006	14	1,020
Alberta	511	11	522
British Columbia	6	—	6
All provinces	1,849	31	1,880

Feed Mills On August 2, 1968 the Canadian Wheat Board in its Instructions to the Trade No. 11 announced provisions whereby 1968-69 delivery permit holders will be authorized to deliver, outside delivery quota regulations, supplies of wheat, oats and barley to designated feed mills. The extension to July 31st, 1969, of the feed mill policy announced by the Board on November 30th, 1960, in Instructions to the Trade No. 41, has been recommended by the Board and approved by the Honourable Jean-Luc Pepin, Minister of Industry and Trade and Commerce.

The designated feed mills will be those mills which complete an application for designation as a non-quota feed mill by the Board and are so designated. The designation will be effective until July 31st, 1969 and mills designated will be named in an order of the Board to be issued at an early date.

Crop Conditions in the Prairie Provinces The telegraphic crop report, published by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, under date of August 7, 1968 summarized crop conditions in the Prairie Provinces as follows:

General rains in the Prairie Provinces have improved crop prospects and there is now sufficient moisture to bring crops to maturity. Crop conditions vary from good to excellent in Manitoba, in southern Alberta, the Peace River area and in central and northern regions of Saskatchewan. In southern areas of Saskatchewan and central Alberta prospects are only fair but improving. Swathing of early barley and the rye crop has commenced. Haying has been held up by wet weather and the crop is generally below average.

Initial Payments
1968-69 Crop Year

The Canadian Wheat Board in its Instructions to the Trade No. 6 under date of July 22, 1968 announced that the Canadian Wheat Board Regulations, 1968-69, provide for the following initial payments effective from August 1, 1968 to July 31, 1969:

Wheat. — One dollar and seventy cents (\$1.70) per bushel basis the grade No. One Northern in store Fort William-Port Arthur or Vancouver.

Oats. — Sixty-five cents (65¢) per bushel basis the grade No. 2 Canada Western in store Fort William or Port Arthur.

Barley. — One dollar and six cents (\$1.06) per bushel basis the grade No. 3 Canada Western Six-Row in store Fort William or Port Arthur.

Preliminary Estimates
of Specified Crop and
Summerfallow Acreages
1968

The acreage estimates for 1968 are, with some exceptions, 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. 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, 1968
with Comparisons — Canada(1)

Crops	1967	1968	1968 as % of 1967
	acres		per cent
Winter wheat	400,000	355,000	89
Spring wheat(2)	29,720,800	29,069,500	98
All wheat	30,120,800	29,424,500	98
Oats for grain(3)	8,376,100	8,815,900	105
Barley	8,115,000	8,839,400	109
Fall rye(4)	601,000 ^r	590,600	98
Spring rye	84,300	88,000	104
All rye	685,300 ^r	678,600	99
Corn for grain	875,500	950,000	108
Mixed grain	1,668,200	1,667,000	100
Flaxseed	1,023,400 ^r	1,524,400	149
Rapeseed	1,620,000 ^r	1,052,000	65
Soybeans	290,000	295,000	102
Summerfallow	25,950,000	26,660,000	103

(1) In some provinces the area seeded to certain crops is too small to permit reliable annual estimates. Acreages in such crops have not been included in the totals for Canada.

(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.

^r Revised figures.

Total wheat acreage in Canada in 1968, estimated at 29.4 million acres, is 2 per cent smaller than last year's 30.1 million. In the Prairie Provinces, where most of Canada's wheat is grown, acreage is estimated at 28.9 million, a decrease of 2 per cent from last year's 29.6 million.

Preliminary estimates of durum wheat acreage in the Prairie Provinces at 2.3 million acres indicate an 80 per cent increase in acreage this year compared with 1967 revised acreage of 1.3 million acres.

Preliminary Estimate of Durum Wheat Acreages, 1968
with Comparisons — Prairie Provinces

Province	1967	1968	1968 as % of 1967
	acres		per cent
Manitoba	62,000 ^r	130,000	210
Saskatchewan	1,130,000	2,000,000	177
Alberta	110,000 ^r	209,000	190
Prairie Provinces	1,302,000 ^r	2,339,000	180

^r Revised figures.

The area seeded to oats in Canada in 1968 is estimated at 8.8 million acres, some 5 per cent more than that of 1967 but 18 per cent smaller than the ten-year average area of 10.7 million acres. In the Prairie Provinces the oats acreage, at 6.6 million acres, is 9 per cent larger than that of 1967. Canadian barley acreage for 1968, at 8.8 million acres increased 9 per cent over the 1967 level of 8.1 million and 27 per cent above the ten-year average of 7.0 million. Barley acreage in the Prairies is placed at 8.3 million, 10 per cent above the 1967 level.

Rye acreage at 678,600 is one per cent below the 1967 revised level but 8 per cent above the 10 year (1957-66) average. Fall seedings of rye were down 2 per cent and spring rye increased by 4 per cent. The greater part of Canada's rye is grown in the Prairie Provinces where the 1968 acreage is estimated at 619,000 acres as compared with the revised acreage of 628,300 in 1967.

Preliminary Estimates of Crop and Summerfallow Acreages, 1968
with Comparisons — Prairie Provinces

Crop	1967	1968	1968 as % of 1967
	acres		per cent
Spring wheat (including durum)	29,570,000	28,860,000	98
Oats (including oats for hay)	6,030,000	6,600,000	109
Barley	7,600,000	8,330,000	110
Fall rye	544,000 ^r	531,000	98
Spring rye	84,300	88,000	104
All rye	628,300 ^r	619,000	99
Flaxseed	998,000 ^r	1,502,000	150
Rapeseed	1,620,000 ^r	1,052,000	65
Summerfallow	25,950,000	26,660,000	103

^r Revised figures.

Farmers' Marketings(1) of Wheat in the Prairie Provinces 1967-68

Week ending		Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	Total	Last year ^r
		bushels				
August	9, 1967	419,070	2,254,674	100,523	2,774,267	2,382,182
	16	47,536	164,146	198,795	410,477	7,100,270
	23	387,096	1,563,697	377,834	2,328,627	19,177,019
	30	1,411,474	3,905,746	576,513	5,893,733	5,202,246
September	6	2,737,126	8,975,599	2,792,553	14,505,278	4,161,392
	13	2,942,073	11,237,586	4,987,198	19,166,857	11,624,476
	20	1,420,455	6,273,227	4,308,564	12,002,246	15,701,357
	27	1,213,339	8,347,053	2,701,990	12,262,382	21,021,677
October	4	850,438	6,371,203	1,765,606	8,987,247	14,761,929
	11	665,118	3,354,294	1,332,517	5,351,929	10,606,303
	18	587,720	5,250,020	1,410,018	7,247,758	12,437,630
	25	1,006,615	4,689,191	1,866,695	7,552,502	14,096,983
November	1	1,393,296	5,883,585	1,985,761	9,262,642	17,760,722
	8	1,750,186	5,823,860	2,143,755	9,717,801	13,972,335
	15	1,883,245	4,603,356	2,354,197	8,840,798	10,157,118
	22	1,765,680	6,805,735	2,645,966	11,217,381	12,010,273
December	29	1,901,542	6,236,697	1,893,780	10,032,019	16,912,035
	6	2,558,884	8,137,172	2,574,242	13,270,298	11,262,378
	13	2,193,095	11,249,740	2,394,102	15,835,937	12,265,994
	20	1,773,952	5,495,637	2,042,302	9,311,891	29,808,981
January	27	1,743,755	3,666,455	1,332,779	6,742,989	17,903,603
	3, 1968	744,651	4,672,339	2,155,464	7,572,454	11,799,491
	10	418,511	3,088,609	1,461,202	4,968,322	12,721,482
	17	961,044	3,105,862	1,488,093	5,554,999	14,221,147
February	24	2,448,722	10,807,721	5,155,548	18,411,991	3,408,298
	31	1,191,018	6,161,312	3,198,513	10,550,843	1,957,218
	7	595,546	2,412,539	2,540,604	5,548,689	6,563,035
	14	961,874	5,986,375	3,370,935	10,319,185	6,365,074
March	21	664,114	3,649,454	3,909,193	8,222,761	2,928,158
	28	517,409	2,169,072	2,102,892	4,789,373	4,546,969
	6	835,952	3,289,360	3,327,359	7,452,671	11,003,603
	13	1,103,822	3,125,885	2,295,572	6,525,279	5,304,639
April	20	918,586	4,267,763	3,068,046	8,254,395	4,390,079
	27	849,809	3,950,866	3,013,994	7,814,669	8,919,372
	3	824,649	2,580,885	1,802,851	5,208,385	7,536,032
	10	701,429	3,053,452	1,385,038	5,139,919	8,395,003
May	17	545,746	2,145,571	1,296,114	3,987,431	6,276,161
	24	925,425	3,400,185	1,799,007	6,124,617	6,864,471
	1	903,174	4,022,272	1,792,922	6,718,368	8,649,786
	8	569,977	2,697,733	1,628,287	4,895,997	15,719,794
June	15	470,988	2,244,835	1,351,104	4,076,927	16,070,946
	22	669,529	2,365,299	867,646	3,902,474	6,918,720
	29	622,372	5,295,560	1,186,681	7,104,613	6,442,183
	5	1,186,064	6,896,855	1,895,117	9,978,036	13,686,246
July	12	2,026,933	8,367,204	2,116,025	12,510,162	25,090,065
	19	1,971,870	8,322,739	1,997,916	12,292,525	25,650,346
	26	2,120,791	8,512,048	1,949,479	12,582,318	20,894,039
	3	1,467,840	7,509,612	2,591,993	11,569,445	15,978,795
	10	747,842	6,156,883	2,075,809	8,980,534	16,595,817
	17	944,780	6,143,326	608,366	7,696,472	15,576,511
	24	1,867,080	7,831,005	1,222,899	10,920,984	15,339,186
Totals		61,429,242	264,521,294	106,450,361	432,400,897	606,139,574
<u>Average similar period</u>						
1956-57 - 1965-66		47,018,729	253,038,005	96,113,701	396,170,434	

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

^r Revised figures.

Visible Supply of Canadian Wheat, July 24, 1968
Compared with Approximately the Same Date, 1966 and 1967

Position	1966	1967	1968
thousand bushels			
Country elevators — Manitoba	14,852	17,452	34,504
Saskatchewan	95,181	107,428	143,654
Alberta	48,956	59,482	67,968
Totals	158,989	184,362	246,126
Interior private and mill	6,831	6,149	5,306
Interior terminals	2,057	13,466	13,734
Vancouver-New Westminster	11,970	8,831	10,589
Victoria	643	723	548
Prince Rupert	803	565	573
Churchill	4,249	4,260	4,694
Fort William-Port Arthur	36,623	43,386	63,026
In transit rail (western division)	20,426	19,643	18,527
Bay, Lake and Upper St. Lawrence ports ..	9,420	31,477	28,486
Lower St. Lawrence and Maritime ports ...	28,258	30,049	22,557
In transit lake	12,433	3,480	12,378
In transit rail (eastern division)	1,642	996	224
Totals	294,344	347,387	426,768

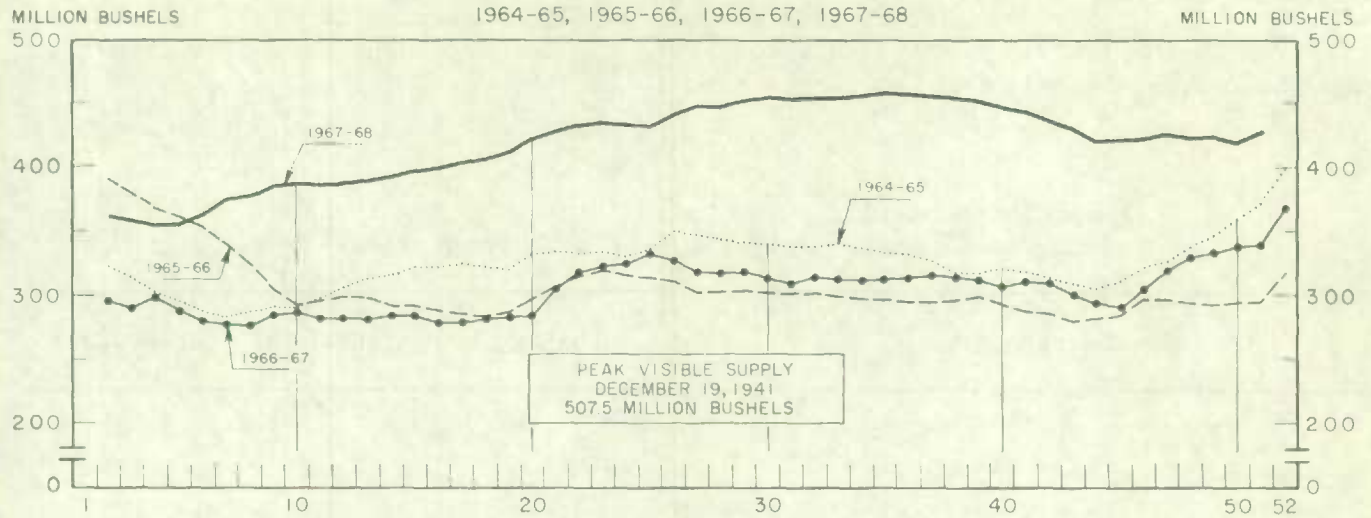
Grading of Wheat Inspected, August 1967 — June 1968 with Comparisons

Grade	Crop year		August — June			
	Average					
	1961-62- 1965-66	1966-67	1966-67		1967-68	
	per cent		cars	per cent	cars	per cent
No. 1 Man. Northern	8.3	6.8	17,841	6.1	48,122	25.8
No. 2 Man. Northern	39.2	35.7	99,225	34.0	82,521	44.2
No. 3 Man. Northern	20.3	27.7	82,644	28.3	28,522	15.3
No. 4 Man. Northern	9.7	7.6	23,824	8.2	5,858	3.1
No. 5 Wheat	4.1	2.6	8,419	2.9	850	0.5
No. 6 Wheat	0.5	0.6	1,956	0.7	274	0.1
Feed Wheat	(1)	0.1	214	0.1	38	(1)
Others Red Spring	11.5	12.4	38,243	13.1	7,874	4.2
C.W. Garnet	0.2	0.1	242	0.1	533	0.3
C.W. White Spring	0.1	0.1	403	0.1	229	0.1
C.W. Mixed Wheat	(1)	0.1	244	0.1	127	0.1
Alberta Winter	0.4	1.6	4,638	1.6	1,899	1.0
Nos. 1-6 C.W. Amber Durum	5.4	4.3	12,845	4.4	9,323	5.0
Others C.W. Amber Durum..	0.3	0.3	991	0.3	391	0.2
Totals	100.0	100.0	291,729	100.0	186,561	100.0

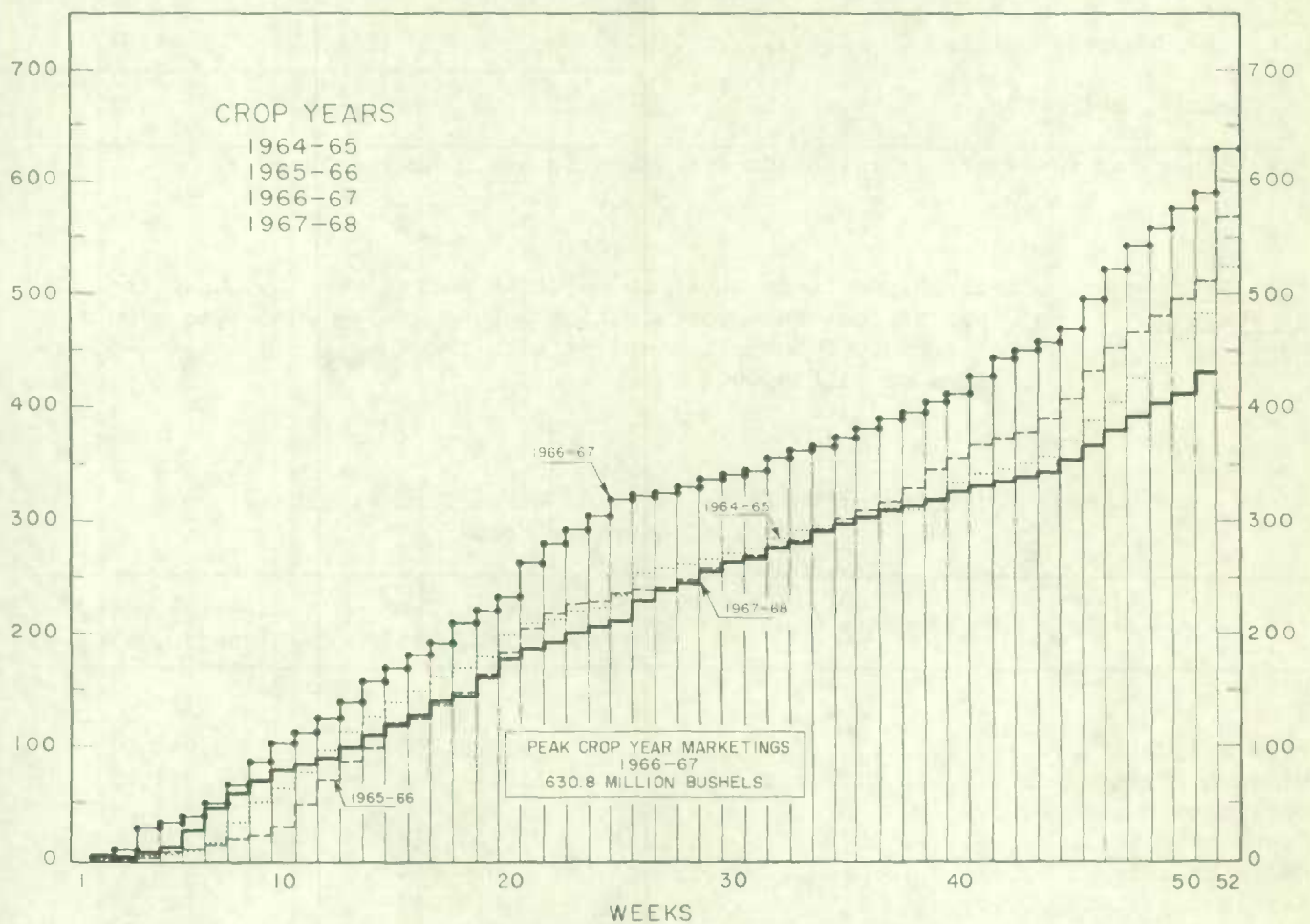
Gross bushels (approx.).. 566,590,000 361,718,000

(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)

Wheat Shipments to
the United States

Total vessel and rail shipments of wheat to the United States, either for re-export or retention for domestic use, from August 1, 1967 to July 24, 1968 amounted to 4,357 bushels as compared to the 154,913 bushels shipped during the corresponding period of 1966-67 and the 255,095 bushels for the same period in 1965-66.

Wheat Shipments(1) to the United States by Destination
August 1, 1967 - July 24, 1968 with Comparisons

Destination	1965-66	1966-67	1967-68
	bushels		
<u>By vessel</u>			
Buffalo	255,095	—	—
<u>By rail</u>			
U.S.A. Domestic points	—	154,913	4,357
Totals, shipments	255,095	154,913	4,357

(1) Either for re-export or retention for domestic use. Excluding seed.

Rail Shipments
of Wheat to
Maritime Ports

Rail shipments of wheat to Maritime ports from Bay, Lake and Upper St. Lawrence ports during August 1967 - June 1968 amounted to 11,659,000 bushels compared with the August - June 1966-67 figure of 31,634,000.

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

Origin of shipments	August 1, 1966 - June 30, 1967	August 1, 1967 - June 30, 1968
	bushels	
Port McNicoll	7,922,136	3,940,013
Midland, Tiffin	11,144,781	2,371,831
Collingwood	724,477	366,430
Owen Sound	5,107,148	2,770,779
Goderich	2,829,854	1,474,337
Sarnia	3,075,343	726,274
Port Colborne	830,125	9,383
Totals	31,633,864	11,659,047

Rail Shipments of Wheat from Fort William-Port Arthur, 1964-65 — 1967-68

Month	1964-65	1965-66	1966-67	1967-68
			bushels	
August	7,786	10,458	118,973	133,651
September	19,564	10,500	83,333	182,051
October	12,135	4,500	89,384	152,009
November	13,167	10,205	163,332	50,475
December	26,961	7,500	106,833	143,833
January	10,703	45,108	145,889	160,214
February	17,214	26,712	120,334	143,884
March	112,296	98,598	177,393	274,690
April	17,506	71,701	133,699	123,167
May	8,207	89,166	207,038	61,460
June	4,965	178,183	154,139	101,950
July	13,872	82,282	93,094	
Totals	264,376	635,913	1,593,441	

Distribution of Rail Shipments of Wheat from Fort William-Port Arthur, June 1968

Grade	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario
			bushels		
5 Wheat	3,000	—	19,500	—	9,000
Tough	—	24,000	26,000	—	—
Rejected	—	—	—	8,600	—
Durum	—	—	—	4,000	6,050
Others	—	—	—	—	1,800
Totals	3,000	24,000	45,500	12,600	16,850

Overseas Exports of Canadian Grain by Ports of Loading, August 1, 1967 — July 24, 1968
with Comparisons

Port	Wheat(1)	Durum wheat(1)	Oats(1)	Barley	Rye	Flaxseed	Rapeseed
<u>Pacific Seaboard</u>							
Van.-New West.	120,795	504	235	29,278	2,879	5,158	11,523
Victoria	8,419	—	—	—	—	—	—
Prince Rupert	8,174	—	—	—	—	—	—
<u>Churchill</u>	20,639	—	—	—	—	—	—
<u>Lakehead direct</u>	12,732	517	1,111	932	726	4,619	113
<u>Kingston direct</u>	776	—	—	—	—	—	—
<u>St. Lawrence</u>							
Montreal	26,000	7,641	443	111	—	1,080	—
Sorel	11,718	130	—	—	176	—	—
Trois Rivières	7,953	396	—	747	—	—	—
Quebec	14,649	707	—	612	174	968	100
Baie Comeau	16,368	1,545	—	38	—	714	—
Port Cartier	16,161	—	—	—	—	—	—
<u>Maritime</u>							
West Saint John	8,843	—	—	—	—	—	—
Halifax	6,098	462	—	—	—	—	—
Totals	279,326	11,902	1,789	31,718	3,955	12,539	11,736
August 1, 1966 — July 26, 1967	452,951	26,523	2,375	41,972	8,312	16,259	13,275

(1) Excluding seed.

Shipments Under
Feed Grain
Assistance Regulations

Claims filed for payment up to May 31, 1968 represent the movement of 8,749 thousand bushels of wheat from the Prairie Provinces to Eastern Canada and British Columbia under the Feed Grain Assistance Regulations during August-April 1967-68 crop year. Revised data on the August 1966 - April 1967 shipments of wheat based on claims submitted up to May 31, 1968 place the nine-month total at 12,939 thousand bushels. The bulk of the shipments during the current nine months under review went to destinations in Quebec, British Columbia and Ontario with these three provinces accounting for a combined 83 per cent of the total.

Provincial Distribution of Wheat Shipments under the Feed Grain Assistance Regulations
August - April 1967-68 and 1966-67

Month	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	B.C.	Total	Eastern wheat to Quebec
thousand bushels									
August 1967	6	13	119	45	550	244	168	1,145	—
September	7	23	108	32	471	218	238	1,098	—
October	103	16	150	32	563	191	274	1,329	—
November	8	15	90	22	552	245	226	1,157	—
December	8	16	99	14	443	142	141	864	—
January 1968	4	10	136	19	538	174	286	1,167	5
February	4	13	102	20	308	123	146	716	15
March	2	12	82	18	418	137	117	787	27
April	2	8	79	11	203	98	85	486	9
Totals(1)	143	127	965	212	4,046	1,573	1,682	8,749	55
Same period 1966-67									
Preliminary					N.A.				
Revised(1)	211	163	1,300	380	6,495	2,552	1,839	12,939	—

(1) Based on claims filed up to May 31, 1968.

N.A. Not available.

Preliminary data on millfeed shipments under the Feed Grain Assistance Regulations indicate shipments of 381,754 tons during the August - April period of the current crop year. Revised data on the August - April 1966-67 shipments of millfeeds based on claims submitted up to May 31, 1968 place the nine-month total at 389,441 tons. 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 Feed Grain Assistance Regulations
August - April 1967-68 and 1966-67

Province	1966-67		1967-68
	Preliminary	Revised(1)	Preliminary(1)
		tons	
Newfoundland		3,499	5,241
Prince Edward Island		7,126	7,127
Nova Scotia		24,855	24,737
New Brunswick	N.A.	19,868	23,374
Quebec		196,542	190,410
Ontario		113,648	106,721
British Columbia		23,903	24,144
Totals		389,441	381,754

(1) Based on claims filed up to May 31, 1968.

N.A. Not available.

Monthly Exports of Canadian Wheat and Wheat Flour

Year and month	Wheat in bulk(1)	Seed wheat(2)	Total wheat	Wheat flour(2, 3)	Total(3) wheat and wheat flour
thousand bushels					
<u>1965-66</u>					
August.....	43,377	81	43,459	2,548	46,006
September....	64,447	73	64,521	2,679	67,199
October.....	64,517	84	64,601	3,674	68,275
November.....	55,652	37	55,690	2,625	58,314
December.....	33,201	64	33,265	4,261	37,526
January.....	23,483	49	23,532	3,402	26,933
February.....	23,502	74	23,576	3,924	27,501
March.....	32,395	192	32,587	3,695	36,282
April.....	37,794	88	37,882	4,431	42,313
May.....	44,357	11	44,367	1,241	45,608
June.....	60,245	5	60,250	3,325	63,576
July.....	63,017	35	63,053	2,320	65,373
Totals.....	545,988	793	546,781	38,125	584,906
<u>1966-67</u>					
August.....	64,233	132	64,365	2,753	67,118
September....	47,357	103	47,460	2,122	49,582
October.....	51,659	39	51,698	3,551	55,250
November.....	48,942	53	48,995	2,471	51,466
December.....	33,477	47	33,523	3,889	37,412
January.....	27,719	48	27,767	3,004	30,771
February.....	20,102	52	20,154	1,616	21,771
March.....	21,718	128	21,845	3,663	25,508
April.....	27,847	81	27,928	2,475	30,403
May.....	57,134	11	57,145	2,502	59,647
June.....	47,517	6	47,522	2,812	50,334
July.....	35,033	18	35,051	993	36,044
Totals.....	482,737	719	483,456	31,851	515,307
<u>1967-68(4)</u>					
August.....	24,424	48	24,472	2,286	26,758
September....	20,211	64	20,275	2,325	22,600
October.....	19,851	66	19,916	1,832	21,748
November.....	21,967	91	22,057	1,882	23,940
December.....	12,921	40	12,960	2,166	15,127
January.....	19,259	73	19,332	1,989	21,321
February.....	18,903	49	18,952	2,086	21,038
March.....	21,388	184	21,573	2,025	23,598
April.....	26,661	109	26,770	2,503	29,273
May.....	42,311	19	42,330	1,935	44,266
June.....	40,798	1	40,799	1,359	42,159
Totals	268,695	743	269,438	22,388	291,826

- (1) Export clearances including shipments to the United States compiled by the Statistics Division, Board of Grain Commissioners for Canada.
- (2) Compiled from Canadian Customs returns, 1965-66 and 1966-67 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, June 1968 and 1967

Destination	Wheat (except) durum	Durum wheat	All wheat	
			June 1968	June 1967 ^r
bushels				
<u>Western Europe</u>				
EEC:				
Belgium and Luxembourg	793,499	56,000	849,499	1,070,309
France	—	37,333	37,333	—
Germany, Federal Republic	1,201,179	434,297	1,635,476	2,231,695
Italy	1,398,467	314,806	1,713,273	1,700,347
Netherlands	814,270	143,932	958,202	324,688
Sub-totals	4,207,415	986,368	5,193,783	5,327,039
<u>Other Western Europe</u>				
Austria	—	173,600	173,600	—
Britain	2,447,099	18,667	2,465,766	6,454,903
Finland	310,400	—	310,400	—
Ireland	—	—	—	211,680
Malta and Gozo	—	—	—	287,467
Switzerland	51,856	264,460	316,316	986,661
Sub-totals	2,809,355	456,727	3,266,082	7,940,711
Totals	7,016,770	1,443,095	8,459,865	13,267,750
<u>Eastern Europe</u>				
Albania	369,600	—	369,600	—
Czechoslovakia	1,829,168	1,106,933	2,936,101	2,380,373
Germany, East	—	—	—	561,431
Hungary	2,016,356	—	2,016,356	—
Poland	—	—	—	1,734,345
U.S.S.R. (Russia)	6,797,476	—	6,797,476	7,365,684
Totals	11,012,600	1,106,933	12,119,533	12,041,833
<u>Africa</u>				
Nigeria	—	—	—	229,467
Republic of South Africa	—	—	—	841,867
Sudan	—	—	—	11,512
Total	—	—	—	1,082,846
<u>Asia</u>				
China, Communist	9,156,636	—	9,156,636	5,115,610
Hong Kong	30,613	—	30,613	78,400
India	6,115,126	—	6,115,126	9,243,642
Iraq	44,092	—	44,092	—
Japan	2,797,601	—	2,797,601	5,451,569
Malaysia	74,667	—	74,667	39,200
Pakistan	—	—	—	869,867
Saudi Arabia	—	—	—	19,648
Singapore	35,467	—	35,467	—
Syria	137,282	—	137,282	13,338
Taiwan	491,680	—	491,680	—
Turkey	124,927	—	124,927	—
Totals	19,008,091	—	19,008,091	20,831,274
<u>Western Hemisphere</u>				
Cuba	855,134	—	855,134	—
Jamaica	213,796	—	213,796	997
Venezuela	141,867	—	141,867	291,832
Totals	1,210,797	—	1,210,797	292,829
Sub-totals, all countries	38,248,258	2,550,028	40,798,286	47,516,532
Seed wheat(2)	—	—	1,000	5,670
Totals, all countries	38,248,258	2,550,028	40,799,286	47,522,202

(1) Overseas clearances as reported by the Statistics Division, Board of Grain Commissioners for Canada, for all countries except the United States.

(2) Compiled from Canadian Customs returns. Wheat 1966-67 adjusted for time lag, 1967-68 preliminary.

^r Revised figures.

Cumulative Exports of Canadian Wheat(1) by Destination

Destination	August 1967 - June 1968			Total same period last year ^r
	Wheat (except durum)	Durum wheat	Total wheat	
bushels				
<u>Western Europe</u>				
EEC:				
Belgium and Luxembourg ..	8,398,163 ^r	449,018	8,847,181 ^r	13,224,195
France	454,953 ^r	92,213	547,166 ^r	1,747,966
Germany, Federal Republic	12,656,083	3,301,647	15,957,730	21,280,101
Italy	7,312,930	314,806	7,627,736	8,413,527
Netherlands	4,411,707 ^r	1,129,189	5,540,896 ^r	2,417,105
Sub-totals	33,233,836 ^r	5,286,873	38,520,709 ^r	47,082,894
<u>Other Western Europe</u>				
Austria	—	638,430	638,430	1,573,291
Britain	57,809,991 ^r	306,135	58,116,126 ^r	60,489,096
Denmark	22,400	—	22,400	22,400
Finland	962,240	—	962,240	1,052,576
Ireland	1,148,231	11,200	1,159,431	1,725,546
Malta and Gozo	561,680	10,640	572,320	577,995
Norway	1,706,955	—	1,706,955	970,133
Portugal	—	—	—	571,200
Sweden	52,267	—	52,267	12,133
Switzerland	652,568 ^r	1,718,037	2,370,605 ^r	4,475,185
Sub-totals	62,916,332 ^r	2,684,442	65,600,774 ^r	71,469,555
Totals	96,150,168	7,971,315	104,121,483	118,552,449
<u>Eastern Europe</u>				
Albania	741,104	—	741,104	3,460,388
Bulgaria	—	—	—	3,800,320
Czechoslovakia	3,292,635	1,106,933	4,399,568	3,287,573
Germany, East	—	—	—	4,460,835
Hungary	2,443,570	—	2,443,570	—
Poland	1,922,204	578,740	2,500,944	12,340,225
U.S.S.R. (Russia)	44,947,503	426,496	45,373,999	88,210,605
Totals	53,347,016	2,112,169	55,459,185	115,559,946
<u>Africa</u>				
Algeria	818,577	—	818,577	716,495
Ghana	202,047	—	202,047	—
Nigeria	582,400	—	582,400	836,134
Republic of South Africa ..	901,600	—	901,600	6,780,826
Sudan	36,195	—	36,195	36,194
Tanzania	298,680	—	298,680	—
Tunisia	—	461,626	461,626	—
Totals	2,839,499	461,626	3,301,125	8,369,649

See footnotes on page 22.

Cumulative Exports of Canadian Wheat(1) by Destination

Destination	August 1967 — June 1968			Total same period last year ^r
	Wheat (except durum)	Durum wheat	Total wheat	
	bushels			
<u>Asia</u>				
China, Communist	45,668,564	—	45,668,564	85,886,335
Hong Kong	839,813	—	839,813	946,090
India	10,953,131	—	10,953,131	40,353,490
Iraq	44,092	—	44,092	—
Japan	34,726,391	355,795	35,082,186	55,029,924
Jordan	12,860	—	12,860	—
Korea, North	—	—	—	940,426
Lebanon	8,613	—	8,613	—
Malaysia	444,454	—	444,454	479,734
Pakistan	875,609	—	875,609	7,572,687
Philippines	927,733	—	927,733	515,200
Saudi Arabia	146,249	—	146,249	92,397
Singapore	195,627	—	195,627	—
Syria	170,130	—	170,130	13,338
Taiwan	902,249	—	902,249	74,074
Turkey	124,927	—	124,927	331,034
Totals	96,040,442	355,795	96,396,237	192,234,729
<u>Western Hemisphere</u>				
Barbados	40	—	40	120
Costa Rica	—	—	—	138,960
Cuba	5,363,840	130,401	5,494,241	6,503,670
Ecuador	293,456	—	293,456	409,346
El Salvador	167,488	—	167,488	629,466
Guatemala	3,685	—	3,685	28,294
Jamaica	457,948	—	457,948	10,966
Nicaragua	—	—	—	249,579
Peru	—	—	—	39,200
St. Lucia	373	—	373	187
Venezuela	2,913,991	81,387	2,995,378	4,822,620
United States Domestic(2)	4,357	—	4,357	154,913
Totals	9,205,178	211,788	9,416,966	12,987,321
Sub-totals, all countries	257,582,303	11,112,693	268,694,996	447,704,094
Seed wheat(3)			742,969	700,299
Totals, all countries ..	257,582,303	11,112,693	269,437,965	448,404,393

(1) Overseas clearances as reported by the Statistics Division, Board of Grain Commissioners for Canada, for all countries except the United States.

(2) Compiled from returns of Canadian elevator licensees and shippers and advice from American grain correspondents.

(3) Compiled from Canadian Customs returns, 1966-67 adjusted for time lag, 1967-68 preliminary.

^r Revised figures.

Customs Exports of Canadian Wheat Flour by Countries of Consignment

Destination	February 1968(1)	June 1968(2)	August — June	
			1967-68(2)	1966-67(1)
bushels				
<u>Western Europe</u>				
EEC:				
Belgium and Luxembourg	690	16,898	83,023	68,708
Italy	2,415	1,955	20,585	14,720
Netherlands	1,973	58	17,395	11,091
Sub-totals	5,078	18,911	121,003	94,519
<u>Other Western Europe</u>				
Britain	377,729	116,086	2,697,061	5,102,750
Denmark	—	—	920	2,070
Gibraltar	2,576	2,576	17,388	23,441
Greece	—	—	45,765	113,907
Iceland	1,775	—	3,851	8,050
Ireland	—	—	6,762	3,381
Norway	—	—	115	230
Portugal	16,824	—	74,191	61,587
Spain	—	—	1,966	—
Sweden	—	—	515	2,516
Switzerland	—	—	92	—
Sub-totals	398,904	118,662	2,848,626	5,317,932
Totals	403,982	137,573	2,969,629	5,412,451
<u>Africa</u>				
Algeria	86,811	—	138,941	481,724
Angola	1,840	2,415	24,955	19,688
Cameroun Republic	—	—	25,585	39,785
Congo-Kinshasa	14,260	5,750	76,965	31,043
Dahomey	13,007	—	44,091	23,002
French Africa n.e.s.	—	—	6,619	25,519
Gambia	16,910	7,475	87,315	56,569
Ghana	155,466	180,954	1,505,451	1,238,600
Ivory Coast	2,070	575	8,294	1,380
Liberia	11,258	22,239	193,600	168,065
Libya	—	—	225	—
Malawi	6,578	8,717	65,672	63,861
Morocco	—	—	53,243	643,015
Mozambique	4,938	3,137	37,913	69,451
Nigeria	—	—	—	4,844
Portuguese Africa n.e.s. ..	1,610	230	41,630	38,884
Republic of South Africa ..	—	—	6,751	—
Senegal	—	—	460	198,761
Sierra Leone	3,703	748	18,842	436,381
Tanzania	—	—	15,102	7,845
Togo	16,128	9,225	145,371	146,899
U.A.R. — Egypt	—	—	—	43,100
Zambia	—	—	8,050	1,150
Totals	334,579	241,465	2,505,075	3,739,566

See footnotes on page 25.

Customs Exports of Canadian Wheat Flour by Countries of Consignment

Destination	February 1968(1)	June 1968(2)	August — June	
			1967-68(2)	1966-67(1)
			bushels	
<u>Asia</u>				
Aden	—	—	6,440	56,704
Afghanistan	—	—	517	—
Bahrain	—	—	218	143
Ceylon	—	—	859,627	1,049,260
Cyprus	—	—	—	831
Hong Kong	36,501	33,465	356,594	546,988
India	566	—	135,742	1,623,288
Indonesia	—	—	—	108,208
Iran	—	457	1,750	4,607
Israel	—	—	543,837	—
Japan	575	1,552	5,966	4,648
Jordan	—	—	5,218	55,892
Korea, South	—	—	19,470	32,294
Lebanon	11,971	—	195,829	52,596
Malaysia	—	—	—	3,830
Philippines	—	—	354	—
Portuguese Asia	2,185	2,392	14,950	32,926
Qatar	230	—	655	347
Saudi Arabia	26,096	—	150,522	9,423
Syria	—	—	—	7,606
Thailand	14,030	14,842	202,030	214,360
Trucial States	—	184	322	18
Totals	92,154	52,892	2,500,041	3,803,969
<u>Oceania</u>				
British Oceania n.e.s. ..	460	—	2,645	1,265
Fiji	1,299	—	5,955	5,141
French Oceania	—	—	—	497
New Zealand	—	—	172	—
United States Oceania ...	3,450	4,600	39,330	43,700
Totals	5,209	4,600	48,102	50,603
<u>Western Hemisphere</u>				
Argentina	—	—	—	5,120
Bahamas	26,577	27,963	277,971	297,293
Barbados	19,927	14,795	197,625	209,695
Bermuda	10,808	4,945	105,136	115,789
Bolivia	—	—	18,462	18,255
Brazil	—	—	110	5,122
British Honduras	6,028	4,062	56,067	54,878
Chile	—	—	205	—

See footnotes on page 25.

FARMERS' MARKETINGS OF WHEAT, PRAIRIE PROVINCES

(SPECIFIED PERIODS)

MILLION BUSHELS

MILLION BUSHELS

800

800

700

700

600

600

500

500

400

400

300

300

200

200

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100

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PEAK MARKETINGS
1966-67 CROP YEAR
630.8 MILLION BUSHELS

JULY

JUNE

MAY

APR

MAR

FEB

JAN

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30 year average
1936-37
1965-66

10 year average
1956-57
1965-66

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1964-65

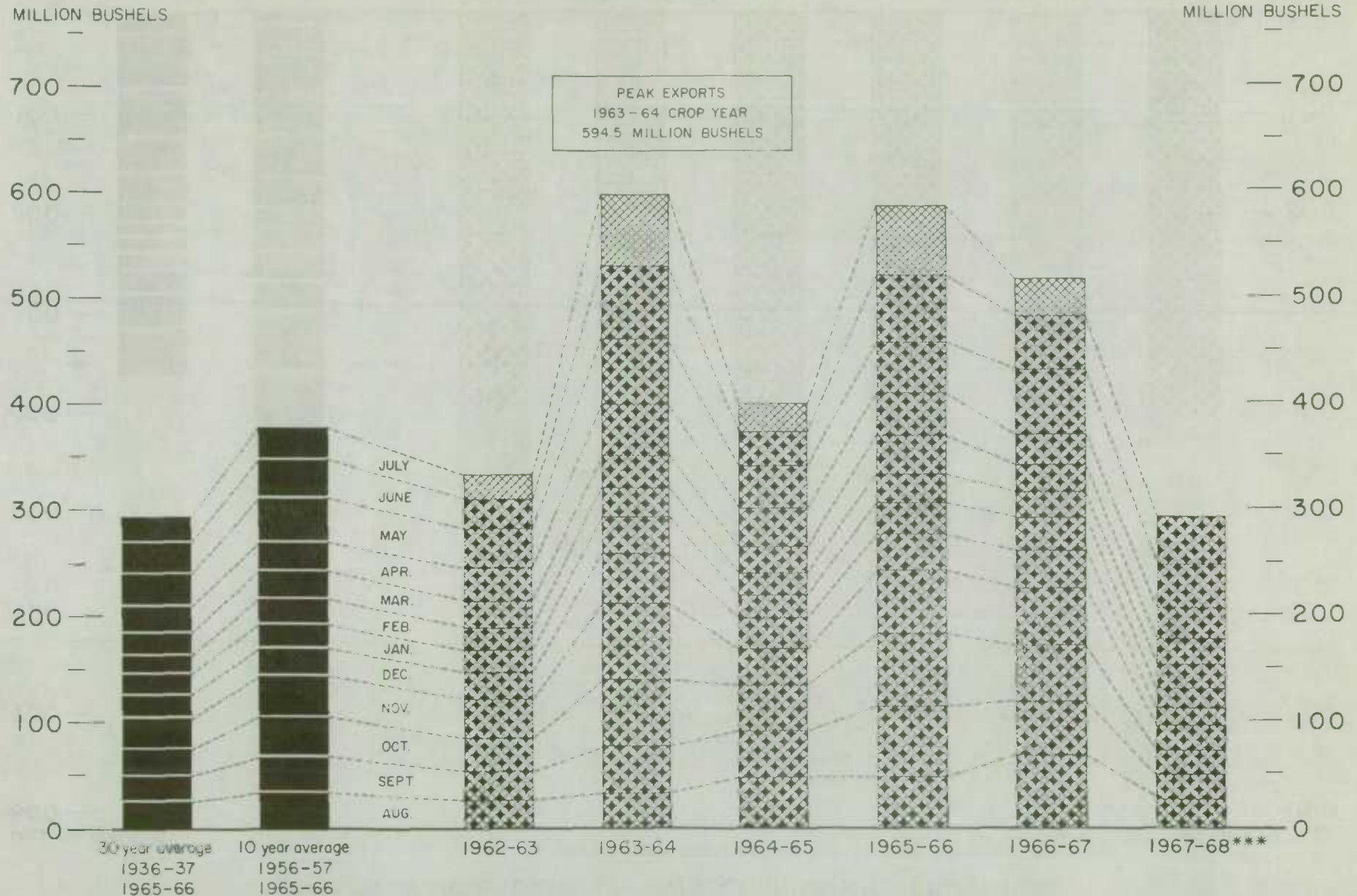
1965-66

1966-67

1967-68

EXPORTS OF CANADIAN WHEAT* AND WHEAT FLOUR**

(SPECIFIED PERIODS)

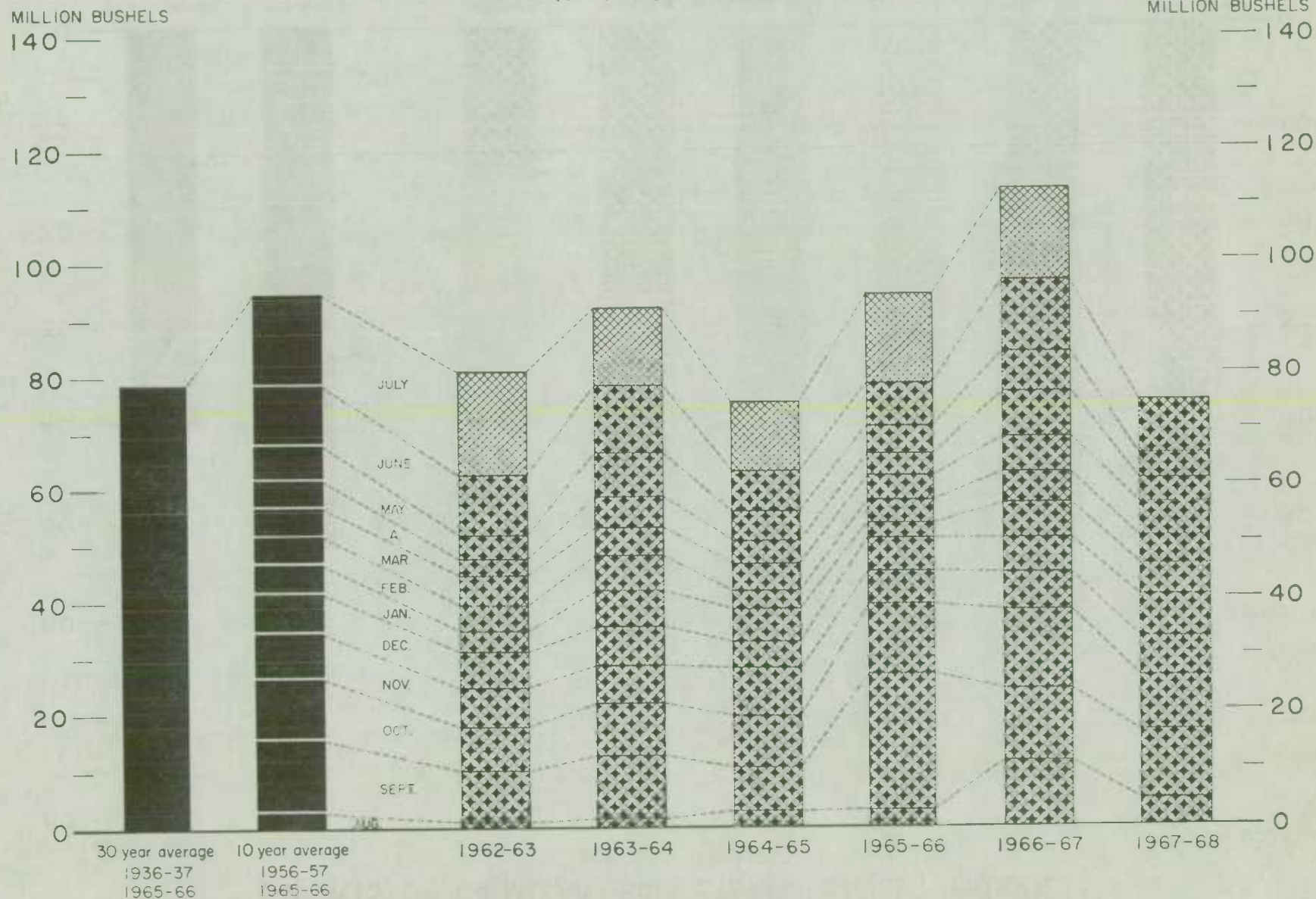


*Beginning with 1955-56 includes bagged wheat.

** In terms of wheat equivalent.

*** Preliminary.

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



EXPORTS OF CANADIAN BARLEY AND BARLEY PRODUCTS*

(SPECIFIED PERIODS)

MILLION BUSHELS

80 —

70 —

60 —

50 —

40 —

30 —

20 —

10 —

0

MILLION BUSHELS

80 —

70 —

60 —

50 —

40 —

30 —

20 —

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30 year average

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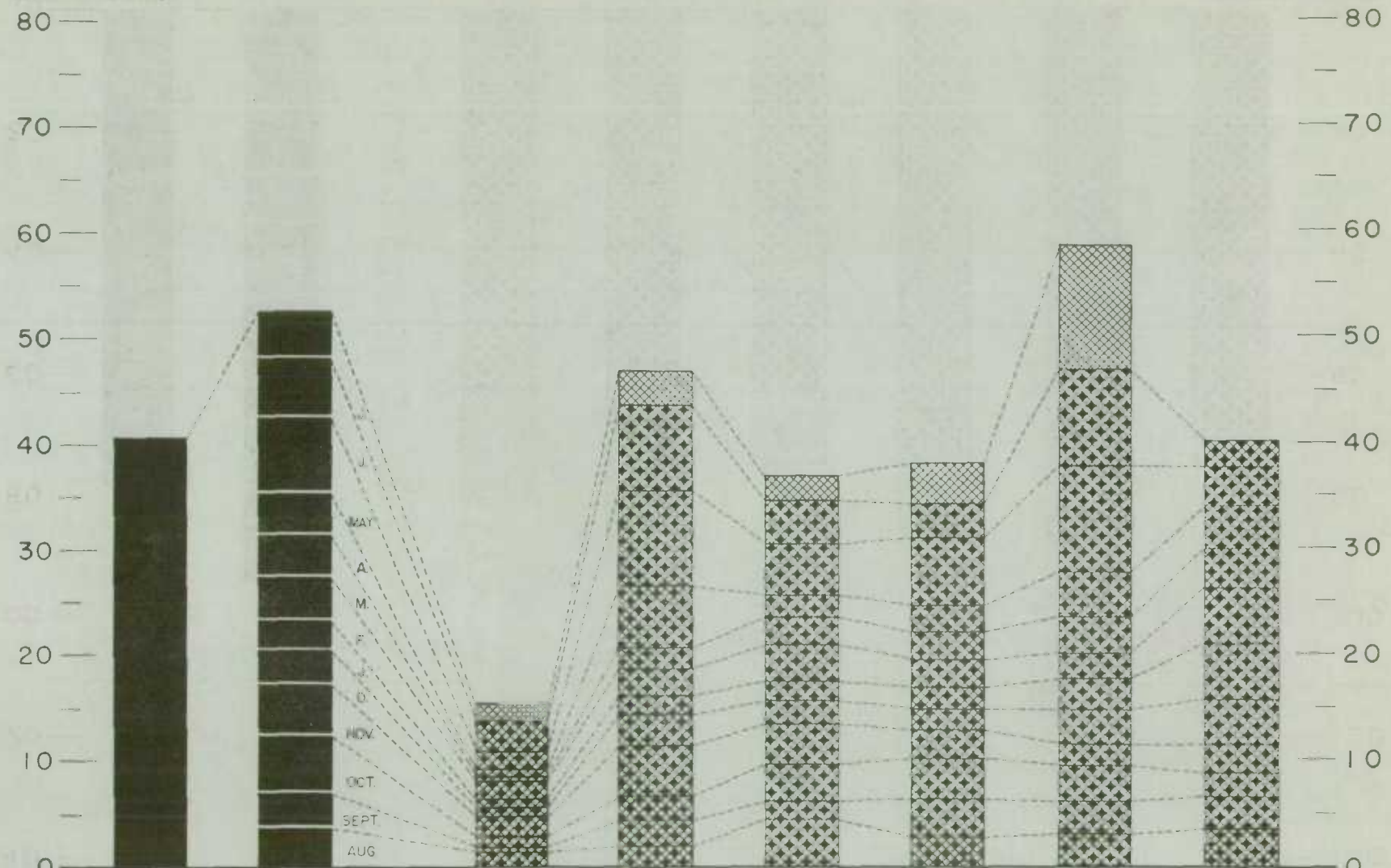
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* In terms of grain equivalent

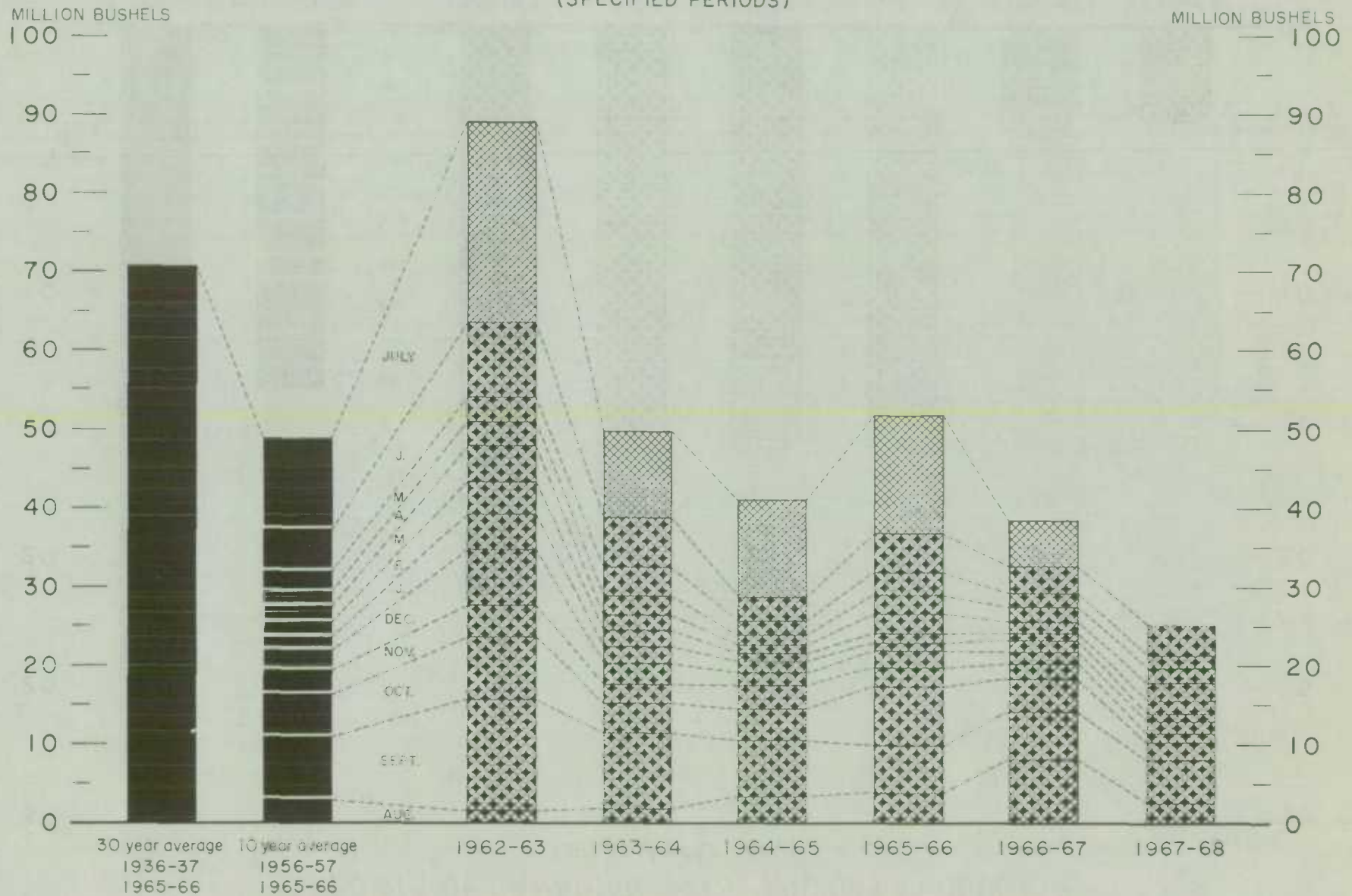
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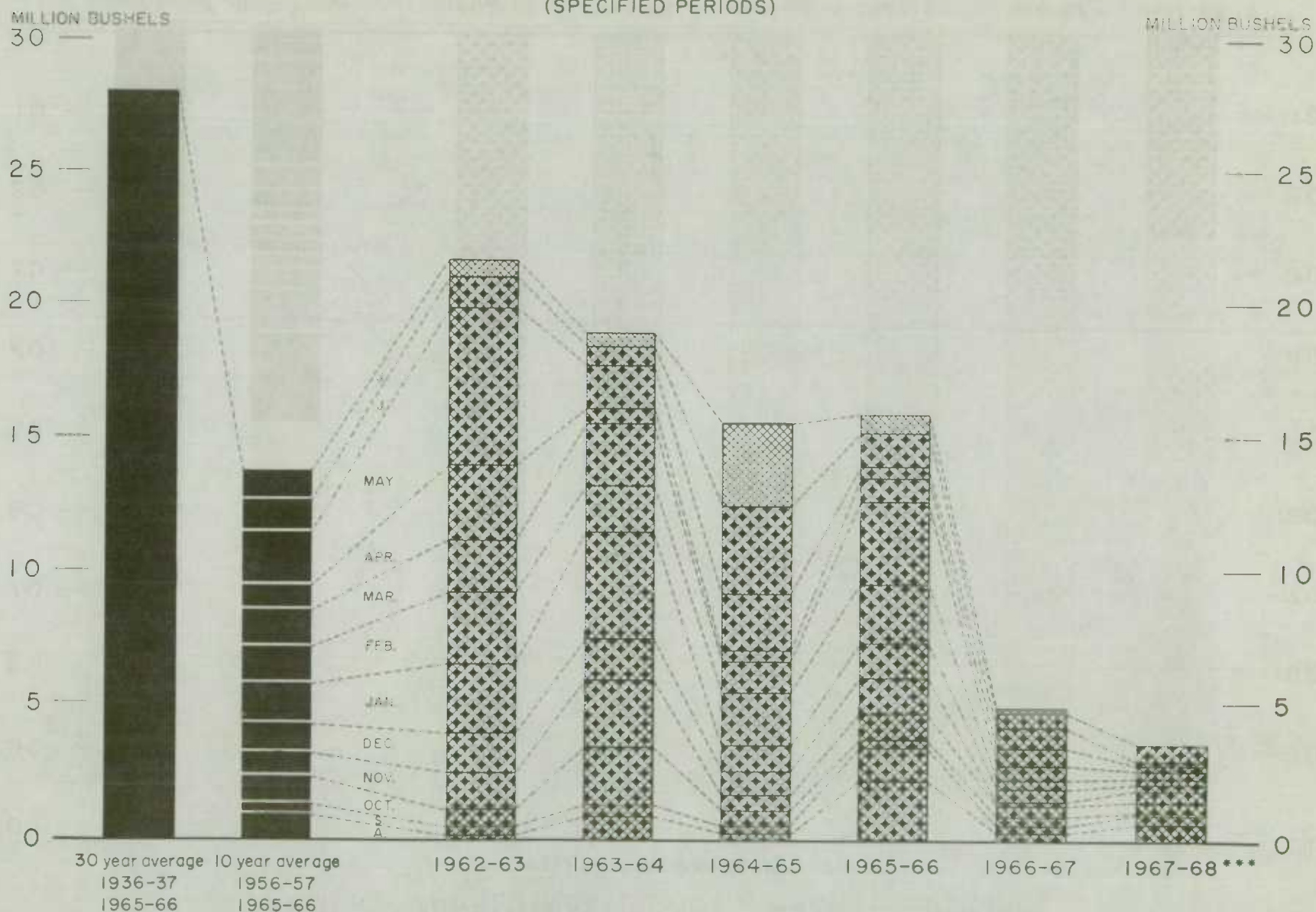


FARMERS' MARKETINGS OF OATS, PRAIRIE PROVINCES (SPECIFIED PERIODS)



EXPORTS OF CANADIAN OATS* AND OAT PRODUCTS**

(SPECIFIED PERIODS)



*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

MILLION BUSHELS

1,000 —

900 —

800 —

700 —

600 —

500 —

400 —

300 —

200 —

100 —

0

30 year average

1936-37

1965-66

10 year average

1956-57

1965-66

JULY

JUNE

MAY

APR

MAR

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1962-63

1963-64

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MILLION BUSHELS

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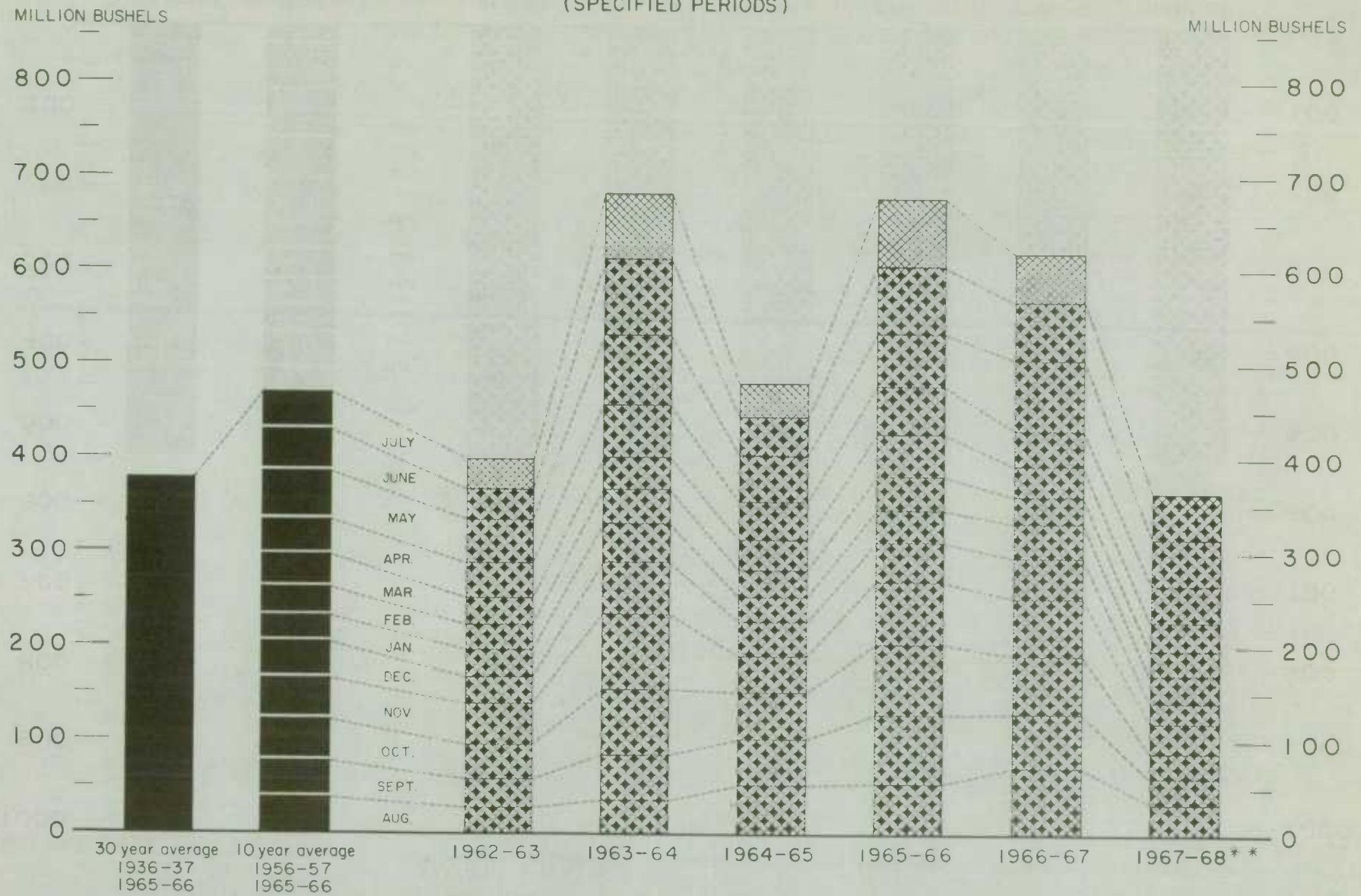
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* Wheat, oats, barley, rye, flaxseed and from 1960-61 rapeseed.

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EXPORTS OF CANADA'S SIX MAJOR GRAINS AND PRODUCTS* (SPECIFIED PERIODS)



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

Customs Exports of Canadian Wheat Flour by Countries of Consignment

Destination	February 1968(1)	June 1968(2)	August - June	
			1967-68(2)	1966-67(1)
			bushels	
<u>Western Hemisphere - Concluded</u>				
Colombia	10,148	—	10,148	—
Costa Rica	515	—	2,350	832,292
Cuba(3)	1,122,867	575,295	10,197,662	12,249,606
Dominican Republic	—	1,610	2,804	1,863
Ecuador	—	—	—	3,105
El Salvador	170	170	653	430
French Guiana	920	—	920	1,610
French West Indies	1,739	—	7,328	3,379
Guatemala	575	690	6,652	24,865
Guyana	8,317	4,743	71,068	75,859
Haiti Republic	—	341	4,101	3,990
Honduras Republic	—	1,730	27,927	41,002
Jamaica	157,431	133,784	1,457,321	1,373,073
Leeward and Windward Is.	68,462	55,278	743,259	922,772
Netherlands Antilles	10,532	7,047	139,205	110,451
Nicaragua	—	—	—	690
Panama	230	—	39,293	34,436
Peru	—	690	22,848	12,061
Puerto Rico	—	—	97	—
St. Pierre and Miquelon	2,197	3,174	21,344	20,535
Surinam	235	934	8,719	9,364
Trinidad and Tobago	65,053	22,175	418,129	863,494
Venezuela	—	—	230	690
United States	44,882	63,498	527,836	559,724
Totals	1,557,613	922,924	14,365,470	17,851,443
Totals, all countries ...	2,393,537	1,359,454	22,388,317	30,858,032

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

(2) In terms of wheat equivalent. Preliminary and unadjusted for time lag. Conversion rate: 2.3 bushels per cwt.

(3) Source — Canadian National Millers Association.

n.e.s. — Not elsewhere specified.

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 26
cents and eighths per bushel				
<u>Initial payment to producers</u>				
1 Northern	170	170	170	170
2 Northern	166	166	166	166
3 Northern	162	162	162	162
4 Northern	155	155	155	155
5 Wheat	141	141	141	141
6 Wheat	137	137	137	137
Feed Wheat	133	133	133	133
1 C.W. Garnet	155	155	155	155
2 C.W. Garnet	150	150	150	150
3 C.W. Garnet	145	145	145	145
1 Alberta Red Winter	154	154	154	154
2 Alberta Winter	149	149	149	149
3 Alberta Winter	143	143	143	143
1 C.W. Amber Durum	170	170	170	170
2 C.W. Amber Durum	166	166	166	166
3 C.W. Amber Durum	162	162	162	162
<u>International wheat agreement and domestic sales</u>				
1 Northern	199/1	198/6	198/5	198/4
2 Northern	193/7	193/6	193/5	193/4
3 Northern	192/7	192/6	192/5	192/4
4 Northern	188/7	188/6	188/5	188/4
5 Wheat	185/7	185/6	185/5	185/4
6 Wheat	182/7	182/6	182/5	182/4
Feed Wheat	178/7	178/6	178/5	178/4
1 C.W. Garnet	188/7	188/6	188/5	188/4
2 C.W. Garnet	187/7	187/6	187/5	187/4
3 C.W. Garnet	186/7	186/6	186/5	186/4
1 Alberta Red Winter	188/7	188/6	188/5	188/4
2 Alberta Winter	187/7	187/6	187/5	187/4
3 Alberta Winter	186/7	186/6	186/5	186/4
1 C.W. Amber Durum	205/7	205/6	205/5	205/4
2 C.W. Amber Durum	203/7	203/6	203/5	203/4
3 C.W. Amber Durum	201/7	201/6	201/5	201/4
<u>Export — Class II</u>				
1 Northern	199/1	198/6	198/5	198/4
2 Northern	193/7	193/6	193/5	193/4
3 Northern	192/7	192/6	192/5	192/4
4 Northern	188/7	188/6	188/5	188/4
5 Wheat	185/7	185/6	185/5	185/4
6 Wheat	182/7	182/6	182/5	182/4
Feed Wheat	178/7	178/6	178/5	178/4
1 C.W. Garnet	188/7	188/6	188/5	188/4
2 C.W. Garnet	187/7	187/6	187/5	187/4
3 C.W. Garnet	186/7	186/6	186/5	186/4
1 C.W. Amber Durum	205/7	205/6	205/5	205/4
2 C.W. Amber Durum	203/7	203/6	203/5	203/4
3 C.W. Amber Durum	201/7	201/6	201/5	201/4

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

Class and grade	Week ending			
	July 5	July 12	July 19	July 26
	cents and eighths per bushel			
<u>Initial payment to producers</u>				
1 Northern	170	170	170	170
2 Northern	166	166	166	166
2 Northern	162	162	162	162
4 Northern	155	155	155	155
5 Wheat	141	141	141	141
6 Wheat	137	137	137	137
Feed Wheat	133	133	133	133
1 C.W. Garnet	155	155	155	155
2 C.W. Garnet	150	150	150	150
3 C.W. Garnet	145	145	145	145
1 Alberta Red Winter	154	154	154	154
2 Alberta Winter	149	149	149	149
3 Alberta Winter	143	143	143	143
1 C.W. Amber Durum	170	170	170	170
2 C.W. Amber Durum	166	166	166	166
3 C.W. Amber Durum	162	162	162	162
<u>International wheat agreement</u>				
<u>and domestic sales</u>				
1 Northern	199	198/7	198/6	198/5
2 Northern	196/3	195/1	194/1	194
3 Northern	195/3	194/1	193/1	193
4 Northern	191/3	190/7	190/1	190
5 Wheat	188/3	188/2	188/1	188
6 Wheat	185/3	185/2	185/1	185
Feed Wheat	181/3	181/2	181/1	181
1 C.W. Garnet	191/3	190/7	190/1	190
2 C.W. Garnet	190/3	189/7	189/1	189
3 C.W. Garnet	189/3	188/7	188/1	188
1 Alberta Red Winter	191/3	190/7	190/1	190
2 Alberta Winter	190/3	189/7	189/1	189
3 Alberta Winter	189/3	188/7	188/1	188
<u>Export — Class II</u>				
1 Northern	199	198/7	198/6	198/5
2 Northern	196/3	195/1	194/1	194
3 Northern	195/3	194/1	193/1	193
4 Northern	191/3	190/7	190/1	190
5 Wheat	188/3	188/2	188/1	188
6 Wheat	185/3	185/2	185/1	185
Feed Wheat	181/3	181/2	181/1	181
1 C.W. Garnet	191/3	190/7	190/1	190
2 C.W. Garnet	190/3	189/7	189/1	189
3 C.W. Garnet	189/3	188/7	188/1	188
1 Alberta Red Winter	191/3	190/7	190/1	190
2 Alberta Winter	190/3	189/7	189/1	189
3 Alberta Winter	189/3	188/7	188/1	188

Initial Payment
to Producers

The Canadian Wheat Board in its Instructions to the Trade No. 15 announced the fixed minimum carlot prices for wheat basis in store Fort William-Port Arthur or Vancouver. The amount to be paid in respect of wheat of the grade No. 1 Northern was fixed by Order-in-Council P.C. 1968 - 1431 of the 17th day of July, 1968. The amount to be paid in respect of each other grade of wheat referred to in the following table was fixed by the Board and approved by Order-in-Council P.C. 1968-1478 of the 24th day of July, 1968, pursuant to the Canadian Wheat Board Act, as amended.

Canadian Wheat Board Price List for Specified Grades of Wheat, Crop Year 1968-69
(In Carload Lots, Basis in Store Fort William-Port Arthur or Vancouver)
Effective August 1, 1968

Grade	Straight	Tough	Damp
dollars per bushel			
No. 1 Hard	1.70	1.66	
No. 1 Northern	1.70	1.66	1.54
No. 2 Northern	1.66	1.62	1.50
No. 3 Northern	1.62	1.58	1.46
No. 4 Northern	1.55	1.51	1.39
No. 5 Wheat	1.41	1.37	1.25
No. 6 Wheat	1.37	1.33	1.23
Feed Wheat	1.33	1.29	1.19
No. 4 Special	1.55	1.51	1.39
No. 1 C.W. Amber Durum	1.70	1.66	1.54
No. 2 C.W. Amber Durum	1.66	1.62	1.50
No. 3 C.W. Amber Durum	1.62	1.58	1.46
Extra No. 4 C.W. Amber Durum	1.62	1.58	1.46
No. 4 C.W. Amber Durum	1.55	1.51	1.39
No. 5 C.W. Amber Durum	1.41	1.37	1.25
No. 6 C.W. Amber Durum	1.37	1.33	1.23
No. 1 C.W. Garnet	1.55	1.51	1.39
No. 2 C.W. Garnet	1.50	1.46	1.34
No. 3 C.W. Garnet	1.45	1.41	1.29
No. 4 C.W. Garnet	1.39	1.35	1.23
No. 1 Alberta Red Winter	1.54	1.50	1.38
No. 2 Alberta Winter	1.49	1.45	1.33
No. 3 Alberta Winter	1.43	1.39	1.27
No. 4 Alberta Winter	1.37	1.33	1.21
No. 1 Soft White Spring	1.60	1.56	1.44
No. 2 Soft White Spring	1.57	1.53	1.41
No. 3 Soft White Spring	1.53	1.49	1.37
No. 4 Soft White Spring	1.50	1.46	1.34
No. 1 Mixed Wheat	1.41	1.37	1.27
No. 2 Mixed Wheat	1.38	1.34	1.24
No. 3 Mixed Wheat	1.38	1.34	1.24
No. 4 Mixed Wheat	1.33	1.29	1.19
No. 5 Mixed Wheat	1.41	1.37	1.27
No. 6 Mixed Wheat	1.38	1.34	1.24
No. 1 C.W. Mixed Grain	1.28	1.24	1.14

CANADIAN FLOUR MILLING SITUATION

Production Wheat flour production by Canadian mills during June 1968 amounted to 2,891,000 hundredweight indicating a decrease of 9 per cent from the May 1968 output of 3,179,000 hundredweight, 7 per cent less than the June 1967 total of 3,112,000 hundredweight, and 14 per cent below the ten-year (1958-67) average production for the month of June of 3,373,000 hundredweight. Mills reporting operations during June 1968 had a total rated capacity of 153,000 hundredweight per 24-hour day and on the basis of a 25-day working period 75.4 per cent of this rated capacity was effective. Wheat milled for flour during June 1968 amounted to 6,529,000 bushels, 9 per cent lower than the 7,163,000 bushels milled during the preceding month and 7 per cent below the 7,023,000 bushels milled during June 1967. Of the wheat milled for flour during June 1968 some 5,522,000 bushels were Western Canadian spring wheat (other than Durum) while the remainder consisted of Ontario winter wheat (599,000 bushels); Durum (281,000 bushels); and all other (127,000 bushels).

Exports According to preliminary Customs returns, exports of Canadian wheat flour during June 1968 amounted to 591,000 hundredweight (some 1,359,000 bushels of wheat equivalent) 30 per cent below the May 1968 total of 1,935,000 bushels and 52 per cent lower than the adjusted June 1967 exports of 2,812,000 bushels. Flour shipments during the month went to forty-two countries with exports to Cuba amounting to 575,000 bushels and accounted for 42 per cent of the June total. Other principal markets for Canadian wheat flour in terms of wheat during the month, with shipments in thousands of bushels were as follows: Ghana, 181; Jamaica, 134; Britain, 116; United States, 63; and Leeward and Windward Islands, 55.

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

Crop year	Wheat milled for flour bushels	Wheat flour	
		Production	Exports(1)
		cwt.	
1935-36 - 1939-40 average	67,845,114	29,405,451	9,603,941
1940-41 - 1944-45 "	99,704,638	43,908,245	23,699,546
1945-46 - 1949-50 "	107,330,372	47,011,540	25,819,721
1950-51 - 1954-55 "	100,446,328	43,847,894	21,812,041
1955-56 - 1959-60 "	99,148,211	39,752,589	16,349,156
1960-61 - 1964-65 "	91,128,177	40,834,088	15,769,803
1965-66	97,925,995	43,531,263	16,576,117
1966-67	90,084,646	39,978,571	13,848,208
1967-68(2)			
August	7,483,754	3,323,075	993,703
September	7,498,099	3,329,572	1,010,923
October	7,248,717	3,229,128	796,318
November	7,164,572	3,188,285	818,449
December	6,371,160	2,842,345	941,932
January	7,043,949	3,148,619	864,656
February	6,808,913	3,056,056	906,905
March	7,458,731	3,328,407	880,551
April	6,239,303	2,790,680	1,088,120
May	7,163,375	3,179,428	841,427
June	6,529,451	2,891,066	591,067
Totals	77,010,024	34,306,661	9,734,051
Same months 1966-67 ^r	83,377,041	37,004,977	13,416,536

(1) Based on Customs returns. Exports for the crop years 1945-46 - 1945-56 revised to remove effect of time lag in the returns made by Customs. (2) Subject to revision. ^r Revised figures.

UNITED STATES SITUATION

Disappearance of
United States Wheat

During the crop year (July - June) 1967-68, total disappearance (exports plus domestic use) of United States wheat amounted to 1,413 million bushels; this was about one per cent less than the 1,424 million set in 1966-67. As compared with the previous year's disappearance the 1967-68 figures reflected lower use of wheat for feeding and seeding purposes which more than offset an increase in exports and the quantity used for human food. Preliminary data show that the 1967-68 exports of wheat, wheat flour and products in terms of grain equivalent amounted to 759.0 million bushels; this was some 2 per cent more than the 743.2 million exported in 1966-67. Domestic requirements decreased from an estimated 680.5 million bushels in 1966-67 to 654.2 million in the year recently completed.

With the 1967 production surpassing total disappearance into domestic and export channels in 1967-68 by 7 per cent, year-end stocks increased from 425.0 million at June 30, 1967, to 537.2 million bushels at the same date in 1968.

United States Wheat Supplies

Item	1966-67 ^r	1967-68 ^P
	million bushels	
Carryover at beginning of crop year (July 1)	535.2	425.0
Production	1,311.7	1,524.3
Total estimated domestic supplies	1,846.9	1,949.4
Imports of wheat and wheat flour in terms of wheat for domestic use, July - June	1.9	1.0
Total estimated supplies	1,848.8	1,950.4
Less estimated domestic requirements for crop year(1)	680.5	654.2
Available for export and for carryover	1,168.2	1,296.2
<u>Deduct</u>		
Exports of wheat as grain, July - June	665.1	696.2
Exports of wheat flour in terms of wheat, July - June(2)	68.0	51.2
Exports of wheat products in terms of wheat, July - June	9.1	11.6
Total exports of wheat, wheat flour and products(3)	743.2	759.0
Balance on July 1 for export and for carryover	425.0	537.2

(1) Includes shipments to United States Territories and wheat for military food use at home and abroad.

(2) Flour exports exclude "Milled in bond".

(3) Data include shipments for relief.

P Preliminary figures.

r Revised figures.

1968 Wheat Crop
Forecast at 1,588
Million Bushels

In a report released on July 10, 1968 the Crop Reporting Board of the United States Department of Agriculture stated that production of all wheat is forecast at a record 1,588 million bushels, 4 per cent above the previous high in 1967 and 29 per cent above average. Changes in production estimates between the July 1 forecast and the final estimate have averaged 45 million bushels during the past decade, ranging from 8 to 114 million bushels. The U.S. yield per harvested acre is indicated at 28.3 bushels compared with 25.8 last year. The previous high of 27.5 occurred in 1958. Acreage of all wheat for harvest as grain is 56.0 million, 5 per cent below last year but 18 per cent above average.

A record winter wheat crop of 1,265 million bushels is now forecast. The July 1 estimate is 3 per cent above a month earlier and 4 per cent above last year. Improved yield prospects in the Pacific Northwest, in Colorado and in the central and northern Great Plains, and a slightly larger acreage for harvest mostly accounted for the increase from a month earlier. U.S. yield per acre is indicated at a record 29.4 bushels, compared with 26.6 in 1967, and the average of 26.4. Acreage for harvest as grain is expected to total 43.0 million, down 6 per cent from 1967 but 17 per cent above average.

Harvest in Kansas was half completed by July 1, about a week behind average. Harvest was virtually complete in Oklahoma, although delayed by rains in early June. Only a few fields in the Panhandle and other northern areas remained to be cut. Harvest neared completion in Texas, except in the northern High Plains where it was in full swing in late June.

Preliminary reports on quality of Kansas and Oklahoma wheat indicate high test weight per bushel, below average protein content, and a high percentage of No. 1 grade. Early shipments of new crop wheat from southwest Kansas showed protein content above average and much above earlier shipments from other sections of the State. Yields in Kansas and Nebraska were above earlier expectations, but Oklahoma yield was lower than a month ago.

In the Corn Belt, prospects remain very good although harvest has been delayed by rain and adverse drying conditions. By July 1 harvest was 20 per cent complete in Illinois, 5 per cent in Indiana and getting underway in Ohio. Some lodging has occurred. In the Southeast yields generally turned out lower than expected earlier.

Montana's winter wheat crop improved during June with generally cool temperatures and adequate soil moisture in the major areas. Yields were above earlier expectations in the Pacific Northwest. Showers and cool temperatures until near the end of the month kept the crop coming along well. However, high temperatures the last week of the month were causing concern in most of the area.

Spring wheat, other than durum is estimated at 228.2 million bushels, 8 per cent less than last year, but 15 per cent above average. Prospects are down from last year in all major producing States except Montana.

Seeding of hard Spring Wheat in the Dakotas and Montana was started about the usual date and proceeded rapidly to completion. Dry weather during much of May slowed growth but rains in late May and in June improved conditions considerably by July 1. Cool weather in June slowed plant maturity.

Yield is forecast at 24.1 bushels per harvested acre, compared with 23.5 last year and the average of 22.7 bushels.

Planted acreage of spring wheat, other than durum, is estimated at 9.7 million acres, compared with 10.9 million last year and the average of 9.1 million acres. Harvested acreage in 1968 is expected to total 9.5 million, 11 per cent less than in 1967.

Production of durum wheat in 1968 is forecast at 94.3 million bushels, 50 per cent more than last year's crop and 46 per cent above average. If realized, production this year will be the largest since 1928. The crop was seeded with good soil moisture conditions, germination was rapid, and development, although later than normal, has been good.

The 1968 crop will be harvested from 3.6 million acres, 29 per cent more than in 1967 and 54 per cent above average. All durum States show marked increases in acres for 1968 harvest, ranging from 19 per cent in South Dakota to 70 per cent in Minnesota. The expected yield is 26.4 bushels per harvested acre, compared with 22.9 bushels last year.

According to the August 1968 issue of the "Wheat Situation" published by the United States Department of Agriculture

Another Record Crop; Wheat production in 1968, based on the July Crop Report, is
Supply Increase estimated at 1,588 million bushels-- slightly above the
 previous record of 1,524 million attained in 1967. This
large crop is being harvested from 56.0 million acres (planted acreage was 63.1 million with the national acreage allotment of at 59.3 million). In 1967, the acreage allotment totalled 68.2 million acres; seeded and harvested acreage were 68.0 and 59.0 million acres, respectively.

Markedly better weather in 1968 resulted in yield increases large enough to offset the reduction in acreage. The national average yield per harvested acre in 1968 is currently placed at a record 28.3 bushels per acre. This is 2.5 bushels above last year (when growing conditions in the Southern and Central Great Plains were characterized by inadequate moisture) and 0.8 bushels above the previous record in 1958.

The total supply of wheat in 1968-69, 2,126 million bushels, is 176 million larger than that of a year ago. It represents the second consecutive increase in the wheat supply and brings it back to level of 3 years ago.

Domestic Use With the large supply of wheat, domestic disappearance could
May Rise increase somewhat from the 651 million bushels of 1967-68.
 All of the expected increase would be in heavier feed use of
wheat. Such usage totalled only 64 million bushels last year, in 1965-66 and 1966-67 it reached 154 and 101 million bushels, respectively. Feed grain supplies in the 1968-69 feed grain marketing year (October - September) are expected to be large, with prices averaging around the 1967-68 level. Thus, wheat feeding likely will not exceed the high level attained in 1965-66. Conversely, it is not likely to be as small as that of 1967-68 because of the larger wheat supply.

With the current level of wheat prices and prospects for a smaller 1969 crop (the acreage allotment for that year has been set at 51.6 million acres and a voluntary acreage diversion program will be offered), many producers may choose to put wheat under loan and carry it to a period of potentially improved prices. For the present time, it appears reasonable to expect that feed use in 1968-69 may run around 100 to 125 million bushels.

Food use of wheat totalled 515 million bushels in 1967-68 and is not likely to be much different in 1968-69. Seed use in 1968-69 will decline to around 60 million bushels (reflecting the smaller acreage allotment for the 1969 crop) from the 72 million bushels used for that purpose in 1967-68. Thus, total domestic disappearance in 1968-69 is likely to be around 675 to 700 million bushels, with any significant deviation from that level hinging entirely on feed usage.

The 1969 Wheat Program

The 1969 wheat allotment, at 51.6 million acres, is the same as for 1966 and down 13 per cent from the 59.3 million acres in effect for the 1968 crop year. Diversion payments at the maximum rate authorized by law will be offered to farmers for planting less than their acreage allotment and diverting this land to conserving uses. No diversion program is in effect in 1968.

For 1969, a farmer may divert up to one-half his acreage allotment and he will receive 50 per cent of the county loan rate times the allotment acres diverted times the projected yield. Farms with 1969 allotments of 21.7 acres or less will be able to divert the entire allotment for payment. Payment will be contingent upon placing diverted acreage in a soil-conserving use.

Price support loans on 1969 crop wheat will continue to be available at a national average of \$1.25 a bushel. Total price support equal to 100 per cent of parity (as of July 1, 1969) will be available on 43 per cent of the cooperating farm's projected production on its allotted acreage. This compares to 40 per cent in 1968. Domestic marketing certificates will make up the difference between parity and the loan rate. The certificate value for the 1968 crop is \$1.38 a bushel.

Farmers signing up in the voluntary program can qualify for price-support loans and purchases, domestic marketing certificates, payments for diverting acreage below their allotments, and alternative cropping options. If a farmer signs up in both the wheat and feed grain programs, one option can be substitution between wheat and feed grain acres. Another option is the overplanting of allotment acreages by one-half, with wheat from excess acres to be stored under bond.

Barley will again be excluded from the feed grain program in 1969. Barley supplies are currently not excessive and are not expected to be and therefore inclusion of that grain in the feed grain diversion program is not justified.

A farmer will again be able to substitute wheat for barley, oats, and rye if he so requests and he has a history of production of these crops in 1959-60. However, conditions for substitution of wheat for barley, oats, and rye will differ somewhat from 1967-68. With the allotment reduced to the 1966 level and with acreage diversion required under the wheat program, diversion of a comparable part of the base acreage in barley, oats, and rye will also be required as a condition of substitution for 1969. This is similar to the 1966 program. Required diversion from barley, oats, and rye will be 15 per cent of the base--somewhat less than the required diversion for these grains in 1966. Concluded on page 45.

Cash Wheat Prices on the Kansas City and Minneapolis Markets

No. 2 Hard Winter, Kansas City		No. 1 Northern Spring, Minneapolis	
Date	Price	Date	Price
	cents per bushel		cents per bushel
July 1, 1968	154 3/4	July 1, 1968	153 1/4 - 194 1/4
2	137 1/2 - 143 3/4	2	152 5/8 - 193 5/8
3	134 3/4 - 145 1/2	3	148 5/8 - 192 5/8
4	Independence Day	4	Independence Day
5	134 3/4 - 152	5	146 5/8 - 191 5/8
8	135 - 151 1/2	8	145 1/8 - 189 1/8
9	N.A.	9	146 1/4 - 188 1/4
10	139 1/4 - 147 1/4	10	147 1/2 - 187 1/2
11	144 3/4 - 155 3/4	11	147 1/2 - 187 1/2
12	139 3/4 - 151 1/2	12	147 - 187
15	136 3/4 - 154	15	146 7/8 - 186 7/8
16	136 1/2 - 147 1/4	16	146 1/4 - 186 1/4
17		17	
18		18	
19		19	
22	N.A.	22	N.A.
23		23	
24		24	
25		25	
26		26	
29		29	
30		30	
31		31	

N.A. Not available.

Chicago Wheat Futures, High Points of Closing

Date	July	September	December	March	May
	cents and eighths per bushel				
July 1, 1968	126/7	130/5	137/1	142	142/5
2	126/4	130/6	137/1	142/2	144/4
3	125/4	129/5	136/2	141/4	144
4			Independence Day		
5	124/6	128/7	135/4	140/6	143/2
8	124/4	128/5	135	140/3	143
9	126/4	130/2	136/5	141/6	144/2
10	127/2	130/6	136/7	142	144/4
11	128/4	131/1	137/3	142/3	144/6
12	128	130/7	137	142/3	144/6
15	128/6	131/2	137/2	142/6	145
16	127/4	129/6	136/1	141/4	143/6
17	127/3	129/6	136	141/4	144
18	127/5	130	136/4	142/1	144/5
19	127/3	129/6	136/2	141/7	144/4
22	127	128/1	134/6	140/4	142/7
23		126/2	132/3	138	140/6
24		126/6	133	138/6	141/3
25		127/2	133/2	139/1	141/3
26		128/2	134/1	139/7	142/3
29		126/4	133	138/6	141/2
30		124/7	131	137/1	139/7
31		124/4	131	136/6	139/7

AUSTRALIAN SITUATION

Wheat Supplies Lower than Previous Year's Level

Reflecting the effect of a sharp decline in production, which more than offset a substantial increase in carryover stocks, total supplies of wheat in Australia for the 1967-68 crop year are estimated at 357.8 million bushels as against 483.2 million in 1966-67. The 1967-68 harvest, estimated at 277.4 million bushels, is 41 per cent below the previous record of 466.6 million bushels harvested a year ago. Carryover stocks, at a record 80.4 million bushels, exceeded by a wide margin the 16.6 million at December 1, 1966. After deducting some 103.0 million bushels for anticipated domestic requirements, an estimated 254.8 million are available for export and for carryover during 1967-68, some 35 per cent below the 393.7 million in 1966-67.

Exports Decline From Previous Year

Combined exports of wheat as grain and wheat flour in terms of grain equivalent during the period December 1 - June 29 of the current Australian crop year amounted to 127.5 million bushels, 32 per cent smaller than the 186.4 million exported during the corresponding seven months of the 1966-67 crop year. The balance remaining on June 30, 1968 for export and for carryover, at 127.3 million bushels, was in sharp contrast to the comparable 1967 total of 207.3 million.

Australian Wheat Supplies

Item	1966-67 ^r	1967-68 ^P
	million bushels	
Carryover, including flour as wheat, at beginning of crop year (December 1)	16.6	80.4
Production	466.6	277.4
Total estimated domestic supplies	483.2	357.8
Less estimated domestic requirements for crop year	89.5	103.0 ^r
Available for export and for carryover	393.7	254.8
<u>Deduct</u>		
Exports of wheat as grain, December 1 - June 29	175.5	116.4
Exports of wheat flour in terms of wheat, December 1 - June 29	10.9	11.1
Total exports of wheat and wheat flour	186.4	127.5
Balance on June 30 for export and for carryover	207.3	127.3

^P Preliminary figures.

^r Revised figures.

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Production 1967-68 Crop. — Preliminary figures released by the Commonwealth Statistician for 1967-68 show a sharp fall in the volume and gross value of wheat production.

Volume and Gross Value of Australian Wheat Production
1966-67 and 1967-68

	1966-67	1967-68 (estimated)	Percentage drop
Volume (million bushels)	466.6	277.4	41
Gross value (Aust. dollars million) ..	689.9	438.0	37
(Canadian " ") ..	826.5	524.7	37

Since a record 22.7 million acres were planted to wheat in 1967-68 (9 per cent more than previous record) these figures reflect the serious consequences of one of the worst droughts in the nation's history.

Wheat was only second to wool in terms of decline in gross value. Most wheat producing areas in eastern and southern Australia experienced poor growing conditions and the average yield for Australia as a whole fell to 12.2 bushels per acre. The largest fall in production was in New South Wales (down by 113.5 million bushels), followed by Victoria (43 million bushels) and South Australia (28 million bushels).

Expansion in Western Australia. — Western Australia, lying in a less variable rainfall zone, was the only State to better its 1966-67 crop. In this province, wheat along with minerals and wool production has experienced an impressive expansion with new acreage under plough each year as evidenced by the upward trend in wheat harvest. In 1967-68 Western Australia planted a record acreage of 6.7 million acres and produced a record crop of 102 million bushels. Another favourable season will undoubtedly produce a new record in the State's wheat production figures and assuming also a similar increase in acreage this year Western Australia should contribute about 120 million bushels to the country's export surplus in the coming crop year.

Premium Wheat Payment. — A final payment was made early in July to wheatgrowers who delivered premium wheat at selected northern and western stations in the 1966-67 season.

State manager for New South Wales of the Australian Wheat Board, Mr. A. P. Tranter, said the payment was apportioned on the basis of protein percentage as determined by the Premium Wheat Growers' Association of Narrabri, as follows:

12.5 per cent to 13.5 per cent — A. 4.326 cents (5.18 Canadian) per bushel.
13.6 to 15 per cent — A. 6.58 cents (7.88 cents) per bushel.
over 15 per cent — A. 8.989 cents (10.77 cents) per bushel.

This payment is in addition to the initial payment of A.5 cents (6 cents) per bushel over all deliveries to these categories, made on October 10 last year.

Outlook for 1968-69 Crop. — Following drought-breaking rains in May there are optimistic forecasts for all States for a record crop. The Australian Wheat Board reported in June that 'growers in many regions are working around the clock on ground preparation and seeding...conditions for many growers are the best in 20 years'. As pointed out in our last report wheat industry spokesmen are predicting a new record of 500 million bushels if good conditions continue throughout the season. A Primary Industry official has confirmed that as of the date of this report conditions are ideal and the above forecast is not as overly optimistic figure.

Outlook for Exports. — In his opening address to the 1968 Australian Agricultural Council Meeting, Mr. Anthony, the Minister for Primary Industry, spoke optimistically about this year's export prospects:

'With regard to wheat, disposal has proceeded satisfactorily. In March, a sale of one million tons (37,333,000 bushels) was made to mainland China, enabling shipments to that destination to continue at a regular rate. Selling to usual markets, such as the U.K. and Japan, has been sustained and further sales have been made to newer markets such as Chile. It seems likely that the carryover next November will be about 20 million bushels compared with a carryover of 80 million bushels last November'.

In spite of Mr. Anthony's fortunate choice of the period for comparison, Australia is experiencing a significant drop in 1968 exports: total export shipments of wheat and wheat flour in the first seven months of the new crop year (December 1, 1967 - June 1, 1968) are down by over 35 per cent. With 20 million bushels carryover at the end of the current crop year, Mr. Anthony is predicting exports of 238 million bushels in the current crop year, down significantly from 314 million bushels recorded last year. A Primary Industry official stated that nearly all presently available wheat is tied up and all indications point to a very small carryover.

Exports to South East Asia. — Exports of Australian wheat to South East Asian countries have risen steadily in the past few years as is apparent in the increased wheat shipment figures. Combined exports to Hong Kong, Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand and the Philippines have now reached significant quantities although shipments to any of these countries individually are not large compared to traditional markets.

Australia has now established close relations with these countries and is the major supplier of wheat to each country except the Philippines. Australia has taken advantage of the rapid increase in wheat consumption throughout the Asian region. Flour imports to these countries have dropped because local mills are now much more able to cope with local requirements. The following figures, published by the Australian Wheat Board in June, show a rapid increase in Asian purchases, including those made by Japan, compared with the almost static buying by the United Kingdom and Europe.

Wheat Export Figures for the First Five Months of Each Season

	1962-63	1966-67	1967-68
	thousand bushels		
Asia	3,713	9,928	12,345
Japan	4,894	5,177	10,694
United Kingdom/Europe	13,423	11,794	14,645
United Kingdom only	8,421	6,820	10,766

Wheat Quality. — Recent market demands, particularly by Japan, have led the Australian Wheat Board to segregate the higher protein wheats for marketing. Off-grade wheat is also separated from the normal F.A.Q. variety when the need arises.

Segregation of higher protein wheat was first implemented in South Australia in 1958. Subsequent production increases of hard varieties in Queensland and New South Wales meant the establishment of a growing export market.

Prime hard and hard grades must conform to the definition for F.A.Q. and be of a high protein content. Quantities of these grades available for sale have been increasing.

Wheat Subsidies. — Our last wheat report outlined an apparent shift in Government policy in the current negotiations between the Australian Wheatgrowers Federation (A.W.F.) and the Commonwealth Government regarding the wheat subsidization agreement for the next five years. Reports early in the year indicated that the Government proposed to scrap the cost of production formula and to introduce a two price system where the export price would be dropped by, A.20 cents to A.\$1.45 (24 cents to \$1.74 Canadian) per bushel. The A.W.F. publicly rejected the Government's position. Mr. Saint, the President of the Federation, published a series of articles in the rural and national press arguing that the Australian wheatgrower received little government assistance in comparison with other countries.

The Meeting of the Australian Agricultural Council just concluded (July 8th-9th) between the Commonwealth and State Ministers of Agriculture has not produced any settlement formula. As expected, the State Ministers expressed strong concern to Mr. Anthony over the Government's proposal to lift the domestic price of wheat to A.\$1.70 (\$2.04 Canadian) a bushel. State governments risk political unpopularity with consumers and graziers because they must pass complementary legislation to fix the price of wheat for local sale. The scene has now shifted to Canberra where the A.W.F. is negotiating with officers of the Department of Primary Industry on the basis of its own current proposal: a guaranteed export price of A.\$1.53 (\$1.83) per bushel. This is A.12 cents (14 cents) below the current guaranteed price of A.\$1.65 (\$1.98) covering 150 million bushels but still A.8 cents (10 cents) a bushel above the I.G.A. minimum price specified for Australian wheat. If adopted this would mean a payment of A.\$12 million (\$14 million) to growers annually on the old guaranteed quantity of 150 million bushels and A.\$16 million (\$19 million) if the Federation were successful in lifting coverage to 200 million bushels.

The A.W.F. offer is based on a current cost of production estimate of A.\$1.70 (\$2.04 Canadian) per bushel using an estimated yield per acre of 20.25 bushels less a reduction of 10 per cent in view of the present depressed world market. At the same time it retains a hold on the cost of production formula which includes the self-escalating item 'interest on farm capital' (the rapid rise in values in the traditional wheat belt as well as in marginal areas has been attributed by critics of the present scheme to this element of cost of production formula).

In spite of the current compromise offer by the A.W.F., details of the agreement that will emerge are not yet certain. The issue at stake is not only the immediate burden of subsidy payments on the Government but a break from the present cost of production principle in the wheat subsidisation scheme. On the latter point there seems to be little room for compromise.

Definitions of Wheat Quality - Sound Clean. — F.A.Q. wheat has been defined as "wheat which is sound and clean and

- (a) has a natural bushel weight of not less than 60 lbs. per bushel as ascertained on the Schopper 1 Litre scale;
- (b) contains not more than 12 per cent moisture as ascertained by an approved moisture meter; and
- (c) contains not more than 5 per cent unmillable material (including broken and cracked grain) as ascertained by using a 2 m.m. screen".

Discount Sale. — "Off-Grade wheat" is wheat which has been declared inferior to F.A.Q. for any one of a number of reasons.

All wheat having a bushel weight of less than 60 lbs. is marketed as "Off-Grade". Weather damaged wheat which has, for example, sprouted grains, or contains excess foreign matter and wheat containing more than 5 per cent unmillable material is declared "Off-Grade" and is sold at a discount.

Exports of Australian Wheat and Wheat Flour in Terms of Wheat
December 1 — June 29, 1967-68 and Corresponding Period 1966-67

Destination	Wheat		Wheat flour	
	1966-67	1967-68	1966-67	1967-68
thousand bushels				
<u>Western Europe</u>				
EEC:				
Belgium	219	126	—	—
Germany, Federal Republic	1,245	72	—	—
Netherlands	1,336	2,393	—	—
Sub-totals	2,800	2,591	—	—
<u>Other Western Europe</u>				
Britain	9,998	14,501	429	242
Ireland	1,149	1,075	—	—
Malta	367	392	—	—
Norway	3,098	1,355	—	—
Switzerland	57	10	—	—
Sub-totals	14,669	17,333	429	242
Totals	17,469	19,924	429	242

Exports of Australian Wheat and Wheat Flour in Terms of Wheat
December 1 — June 29, 1967-68 and Corresponding Period 1966-67 — Continued

Destination	Wheat		Wheat flour	
	1966-67	1967-68	1966-67	1967-68
thousand bushels				
<u>Africa</u>				
Malawi	—	—	183	191
Mauritius	—	—	242	292
Mozambique	970	—	41	—
Rhodesia	1,608	2,097	—	—
South Africa	9,280	—	—	—
Sudan	—	422	—	—
Zambia	840	1,112	198	105
Others	5	7	84	78
Totals	12,703	3,638	748	666
<u>Asia</u>				
Aden	1,448	600	—	—
Aden and Aden I/T	—	—	298	184
Aden and Aden I/T Atta	—	—	261	117
Arabian Gulf	—	—	32	29
Arabian Gulf Atta	—	—	361	368
Ceylon	7	4	5,037	4,607
China	65,427	42,197	—	—
Hong Kong	2,202	2,889	20	36
India	12,034	7,550	—	—
India Atta	—	—	777	—
Indonesia	—	—	949	2,056
Iran	830	—	—	—
Iraq	3,801	2,305	—	—
Japan	9,215	13,622	—	—
Korea North	3,952	—	—	—
Kuwait	1,871	1,540	—	—
Lebanon	4,566	861	—	—
Pakistan	18,508	—	—	—
Philippines	91	305	66	64
Saudi Arabia	1,241	38	25	179
Taiwan	—	771	—	—
Thailand	544	817	188	152
Malaysia				
Malaya	5,623	6,833	—	—
Sabah	—	—	13	14
Sarawak	—	—	20	16
Singapore	5,086	6,523	19	1
Others	451	282	70	65
Totals	136,897	87,137	8,136	7,888

Exports of Australian Wheat and Wheat Flour in Terms of Wheat
December 1 — June 29, 1967-68 and Corresponding Period 1966-67 — Concluded

Destination	Wheat		Wheat flour	
	1966-67	1967-68	1966-67	1967-68
thousand bushels				
<u>Oceania</u>				
New Zealand	1,641	916	—	—
<u>Western Hemisphere</u>				
Brazil	3,825	—	—	—
Chile	1,975	2,692	—	—
Peru	848	2,045	1	—
West Indies Area	—	—	175	332
Totals	6,648	4,737	176	332
<u>Pacific Area and Sundries</u>				
Pacific Islands	139	—	1,330	1,887
Ships' Stores and Sundries	—	48	83	85
Totals	139	48	1,413	1,972
Totals, all countries	175,500	116,400	10,900	11,100

ARGENTINE SITUATION

1967-68 Wheat Supplies
Higher Than Previous Year

Total estimated supplies of wheat in Argentina for the 1967-68 (December — November) crop year are placed at some 288.3 million bushels some 18 per cent above the previous season's total of 243.3 million. Current crop year supplies consist of the December 1 carryover of 16.4 million compared with 13.8 million the year before, while the 1967 production, at 271.9 million, registered an increase over the 229.5 million harvested in 1966. After making an allowance of 153.1 million for anticipated domestic requirements, an estimated 135.2 million are available for export and for carryover in 1967-68, some 36 per cent more than the 99.1 million the previous year.

Exports Sharply
Below Last Year

Preliminary exports of wheat and wheat flour in terms of wheat equivalent during December 1967 — June 1968 amounted to 47.6 million bushels, in contrast to the 77.8 million exported during the same seven months in 1966-67. The balance remaining on July 1, 1968 for export and for carryover was estimated at 87.6 million bushels, compared with the July 1, 1967 total of 21.4 million.

Argentine Wheat Supplies

Item	1966-67 ^r	1967-68 ^p
	million bushels	
Carryover at beginning of crop year (December 1)(1) ..	13.8	16.4
Production	229.5	271.9
Total estimated domestic supplies	243.3	288.3
Less estimated domestic requirements for crop year ...	144.2	153.1
Available for export and for carryover	99.1	135.2
<u>Deduct</u>		
Exports of wheat as grain, December - June	77.4	47.2
Exports of wheat flour in terms of wheat, December - June	0.4	0.4
Total exports of wheat and wheat flour	77.8	47.6
Balance on July 1 for export and for carryover	21.4	87.6

(1) Includes allowances for farm stocks.

P Preliminary figures.

r Revised figures.

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Wheat. - The outlook for the 1968-69 wheat crop changed radically for the better during June. The drought was broken in early June by rains throughout the grain belt which fell intermittently for the rest of the month.

In spite of more than adequate rains in the northern provinces of Chaco, Sante Fe, Cordoba and Entre Ríos, there is a general trend to the planting of less wheat. In many areas, the average reduction in wheat sowings is estimated to be between 15 and 20 per cent. The trend is definitely to maize, which provides much more security and a more profitable return than wheat. At the end of June, sowings had been delayed and only about 20 per cent of the sowing intentions had been fulfilled. These provinces normally account for about 25 per cent of Argentine wheat production.

In the provinces of Buenos Aires and La Pampa, which normally account for about 75 per cent of wheat production, subsoil moisture is adequate everywhere, although actual sowings got under way only at the end of June. More land is available for wheat as a result of a drop in the cattle population during the drought period and so there may be a tendency to increase the area sown to wheat.

Indications at the moment are that plantings of candeal and/or taganrock (Durum) wheat may increase as much as 20 per cent in the southeast and centre south of Buenos Aires province. This area accounts for the bulk of Durum plantings which are normally sown in August. The anticipated increase in Durum plantings is a result of favourable marketing conditions throughout the year and reports of serious damage in the Italian Durum crop.

The National Grain Board announced on July 10 ("JNG" Resolution No. 12901) that about 400,000 metric tons (14,697,000 bushels) of wheat (the Board's uncommitted stocks) would be made available to millers at a price of 1,600 pesos per 100 kilos, (\$1.36 per bushel) for grade 1 hard wheat, f.o.r., at the nearest station to the mill. These stocks are to be prorated to the millers depending on their requirements, taking into account their stocks and average millings in the 1965 to 1967 period. Millers are obliged to purchase semi-hard wheat at 1,560 pesos per 100 kilos (\$1.33 per bushel), if it is offered to them.

Bread wheat prices during June fell from 1,700 pesos to 1,640 pesos per 100 kilos (\$1.45 to \$1.39 per bushel) at Buenos Aires mainly because the millers were awaiting word regarding the quantities and prices of wheat which would be made available to them by the National Grain Board. At southern ports, on the other hand, exporters were paying a few pesos more at 1,490 pesos per 100 kilos (\$1.27 per bushel). Only a few lots were sold during the month.

At July 20, prices at Buenos Aires were 1,630 pesos (\$1.39 per bushel) and at Bahia Blanca 1,480 pesos per 100 kilos (\$1.26 per bushel). Wheat prices on the Buenos Aires Futures Exchange at June 20 were 1,650 pesos per 100 kilos (\$1.40 per bushel) for August delivery; 1,667 (\$1.42 per bushel) for September; 1,687 (\$1.43 per bushel) for October and 1,670 (\$1.42 per bushel) for November.

Durum prices rose rapidly in June, mainly in response to Italian demand, reaching 2,150 pesos per 100 kilos (\$1.83 per bushel) at Buenos Aires and 2,040 pesos (\$1.74 per bushel) at Bahía Blanca. By the end of the month, interest had waned and prices had dropped to 2,100 and 1,970 pesos per 100 kilos (\$1.79 and \$1.68 per bushel) for Buenos Aires and Bahía Blanca, respectively. It is reported that a mid-June shipment to Italy was sold at U\$S76.00 per metric ton (\$2.23 per bushel) f.o.b. Necochea; a June/July shipment at U\$S75.75 (\$2.22 per bushel) and another, later, at U\$S77.00 (\$2.26 per bushel).

Argentine Wheat Exports December - May 1967-68 and 1966-67

Destination	May		December - May	
	1967	1968	1966-67	1967-68
	thousand bushels			
Western Europe				
EEC:				
Belgium	27	—	756	176
France	406	—	2,505	1,148
Germany, Federal Republic	—	15	799	33
Italy	423	1,004	9,006	12,295
Netherlands	330	—	6,381	853
Sub-totals	1,185	1,019	19,447	14,505

Argentine Wheat Exports December — May 1967-68 and 1966-67 — Concluded

Destination	May		December — May	
	1967	1968	1966-67	1967-68
thousand bushels				
<u>Other Western Europe</u>				
Britain	427	—	7,856	1,609
Denmark	—	—	—	16
Norway	—	—	498	37
Portugal	259	—	1,144	376
Sweden	—	29	—	29
Switzerland	11	—	375	7
Sub-totals	697	29	9,873	2,074
Totals	1,882	1,048	29,320	16,579
<u>Eastern Europe</u>				
Hungary	—	—	480	22
<u>Africa</u>				
Algeria	—	—	795	351
Angola	—	—	459	—
Totals	—	—	1,254	351
<u>Asia</u>				
China, Communist	—	—	—	370
Cyprus	—	—	381	—
India	—	—	184	—
Viet-Nam	—	184	—	184
Totals	—	184	565	554
<u>Western Hemisphere</u>				
Bolivia	77	73	280	720
Brazil	5,684	5,477	27,187	9,593
Chile	776	37	1,217	1,470
Colombia	634	—	1,575	1,521
Paraguay	246	—	937	1,297
Peru	147	364	6,940	7,133
Uruguay	—	—	—	513
Totals	7,564	5,951	38,137	22,247
Totals, all countries	9,446	7,183	69,755	39,755

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A farmer can become a 1969 wheat program cooperator by signing up in the program; remaining within his allotment; devoting to conserving use that acreage designated as his regular conserving base, plus the acreage represented by the approximate difference between the 1968 and 1969 allotments, as well as acreage diverted for payment; planting within his acreage allotment for any other allotment crops on the farm; and remaining within the wheat allotment on any other farm in which he holds an interest.

Flour Production According to the Bureau of the Census, United States Department of Commerce, wheat flour production in the United States in June 1968 amounted to 19,578,000 hundredweight averaging 979,000 hundredweight per working day and mills operated at 86.2 per cent of capacity. Flour mills in June 1968 ground 43,887,000 bushels of wheat.

CALENDAR OF WHEAT EVENTS

- July 10 According to a report published by the Crop Reporting Board, United States Department of Agriculture, all wheat production in the United States in 1968 is forecast at a record 1,588 million bushels; this is 4 per cent above the previous high of 1,524 million in 1967 and 29 per cent above average.
- 15 A report received from Mr. W. Boychuk, Assistant Commercial Secretary, Canberra, stated in part that following drought-breaking rains during May in Australia there are optimistic forecasts for all States for a record crop.
- 22 The Canadian Wheat Board in its Instructions to the Trade announced that the initial payment for wheat effective August 1, 1968, would be \$1.70 per bushel, basis No. 1 Manitoba Northern in Store Fort William-Port Arthur or Vancouver.
- 24 In a report received from Mr. S.E. Kidd, Assistant Commercial Secretary (Agriculture) for Canada, Buenos Aires, the outlook for the 1968-69 wheat crop in Argentina changed radically for the better during June. The drought was broken in early June by rains throughout the grain belt which fell intermittently for the rest of the month.
- August 2 Total wheat acreage in Canada in 1968, is estimated at 29.4 million acres; this is 2 per cent smaller than last year's 30.1 million acres.

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