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# WORLD WHEAT SITUATION

## Crop Year Shipments of Wheat Below Previous Year

Total shipments of wheat and flour in terms of wheat, from United States, Canada, Argentina and Australia amounted to some 1,391.3 million bushels during the 1967-68 crop year (August-July) some 14 per cent less than the 1966-67 level of 1,613.2 million, but 7 per cent above the ten-year (1956-57 - 1965-66) average of 1,301.3 million. During the August - July period of 1967-68 each of the four major exporters, with the exception of the United States shared in the decrease. Shipments from the four traditional major exporters during the 1967-68 crop year, with comparisons, appear in the accompanying table.

## Exports of Wheat and Flour in Terms of Wheat, August-July 1967-68 with Comparisons

August-July	United States	Canada	Argentina	Australia	Total
million bushels					
1950-51 .....	375.3	241.0	94.5	127.8	838.6
1951-52 .....	466.6	355.8	24.1	93.4	939.9
1952-53 .....	322.6	385.5	38.9	107.0	854.0
1953-54 .....	211.4	255.1	110.3	63.4	640.2
1954-55 .....	280.4	251.9	134.5	94.3	761.1
1955-56 .....	359.4	312.3	108.6	107.5	887.8
1956-57 .....	539.5	264.4	100.6	120.2	1,024.7
1957-58 .....	396.4	320.3	77.6	61.9	856.2
1958-59 .....	455.6	294.5	106.2	82.7	939.0
1959-60 .....	513.1	277.3	76.5	117.8	984.7
1960-61 .....	677.5	353.2	62.9	198.0	1,291.6
1961-62 .....	704.2	358.0	95.5	219.8	1,377.5
1962-63 .....	650.6	331.4	60.7	186.2	1,228.9
1963-64 .....	852.3	594.5	106.5	274.0	1,827.3
1964-65 .....	736.9	399.6	174.3	245.1	1,555.9
1965-66 .....	868.6	584.9	280.7	193.3	1,927.5
1966-67 <sup>r</sup> .....	732.7	515.3	101.2	264.0	1,613.2
1967-68 <sup>P</sup> .....	749.7	335.6	58.7	247.3	1,391.3

<sup>P</sup> Preliminary figures.

<sup>r</sup> Revised figures.

## Wheat Supplies of Four Major Exporters 12 Per Cent Above a Year Ago

At the close of the Canadian crop year, total supplies of wheat remaining in the United States, Canada, Argentina and Australia, for export and for carryover at the end of their respective crop years, amounted to 2,270.5 million bushels compared with 2,019.8 million at the same time a year ago. With the exception of Australia increases were registered in each of the four major exporters. Supplies on or about August 1, 1968, in millions of bushels, were held as follows, with last year's comparable figures in brackets: United States, 1,407.4 (1,237.1); Canada, 667.5 (576.8); Argentina, 81.7 (19.1); and Australia, 113.9 (186.8).

Estimates for both years include on-farm stocks as well as those in commercial positions. It is to be noted that the 1968 United States crop estimated at 1,606 million bushels is now included. The supply figures for Canada represent crop-year-end carryover only, as the new crop will not be taken into account until September 1 in these calculations. The new Australian and Argentine production for 1968-69 will be included at January 1.



CANADIAN SITUATION

Canadian Wheat Supplies  
For 1968-69 Reach  
Record Level

Assuming realization of the August forecast of production, Canadian wheat supplies for the crop year 1968-69 will be at an all-time high of 1,317.2 million bushels, exceeding the 1967-68 total of 1,169.7 million by 13 per cent and the previous peak of 1,247.5 million established in 1966-67. Supplies indicated for the current crop year reflect larger carryover stocks (from 576.8 million bushels in 1967 to 667.5 million in 1968), combined with a 10 per cent increase in production, from 592.9 million a year ago to 649.6 million this year. Although the area seeded to wheat was lower this year, the average yield per acre increased from 19.7 bushels in 1967 to 22.1 in 1968.

Revised Total Supply and Disposition of Canadian Wheat 1962-63 — 1967-68  
and Estimated Supply 1968-69  
(Crop Years August 1 — July 31)

Item	1962-63	1963-64	1964-65	1965-66	1966-67	1967-68(1)	1968-69(1)
million bushels							
<u>Supplies</u>							
Carryover, at beginning of crop year .....	391.1	487.2	459.4	513.0	420.1	576.8	667.5
Production .....	565.6	723.5	600.7	649.4	827.3	592.9	649.6(2)
Totals(3) .....	956.7	1,210.7	1,060.2	1,162.4	1,247.5	1,169.7	1,317.2
<u>Disposition</u>							
Exports wheat and flour .....	331.4	594.5	399.6	584.9	515.3	335.6	
Human consumption	53.0	59.1	57.7	60.9	59.4	61.0	
Seed .....	39.1	42.1	40.1	42.0	40.4	39.4	
Industrial use ....	1.5	1.5	1.7	1.9	1.9(4)	1.9(4)	
Carryover, at end of crop year ....	487.2	459.4	513.0	420.1	576.8	667.5	
Residual item(5) ....	44.3	54.1	48.1	52.6	53.8	64.3	
Totals .....	956.7	1,210.7	1,060.2	1,162.4	1,247.5	1,169.7	

- (1) Subject to further revision pending receipt of Board of Grain Commissioners' final data on commercial stocks at July 31, 1968.
- (2) Based on conditions as at August 15 and subject to revision as later estimates become available.
- (3) Includes small amounts of imports.
- (4) Estimated.
- (5) Includes feed for livestock and waste but also reflects the effect of any estimating errors in other components of the balance sheet.

Realization of the 1968 production forecast for wheat will be dependent upon how weather and other developments affect the crop between August 15 and completion of harvesting. The second official forecast of production, to be released on October 4 will give greater effect to actual harvesting conditions and outturns.

1967-68 Exports of  
Wheat and Flour  
Lower than  
Previous Crop Year

According to preliminary data, combined exports of wheat in bulk, seed wheat and wheat flour in terms of wheat equivalent in the crop year 1967-68 amounted to 335.6 million bushels, 35 per cent less than the previous year's total of 515.3 million bushels and 11 per cent below the ten-year (1956-57 - 1965-66) average exports of 377.8 million bushels.

Exports of wheat in bulk (as reported by the Board of Grain Commissioners for Canada) amounted to 310.7 million bushels, some 36 per cent less than the 482.7 million shipped in 1966-67 and was 8 per cent lower than the ten-year average of 337.4 million. Exports of seed wheat, based on preliminary Customs data amounted to 0.8 million bushels compared with the 1966-67 adjusted figure of 0.7 million. Wheat flour exports, based on preliminary data, were the equivalent of 24.2 million bushels, 24 per cent below the adjusted 31.9 million cleared during 1966-67 and 34 per cent less than the ten-year average of 36.7 million.

The 1967-68 total for exports of wheat in bulk was compiled from overseas clearances (and exports to the United States) as recorded by the Board of Grain Commissioners for Canada, while data on exports of wheat flour and seed wheat were obtained from Canadian Customs returns. Adjusted data on wheat flour exports for the 1967-68 crop year, removing the effect of time lag in reporting Customs returns, will be included in a subsequent issue of this publication.

Monthly exports of wheat in bulk, seed wheat and wheat flour in terms of wheat during the crop year recently completed ranged from a high of 44.3 million bushels in May 1968 to a low of 15.1 million in December 1967. Overseas clearances of bulk wheat, the major component of the total exports of wheat, seed wheat and flour, ranged between 42.3 million bushels in May and 12.9 million in December.

Exports of Canadian wheat during the crop year under review declined considerably from the record and near-record shipments of the past four crop years. Britain with imports at 61.9 million bushels moved from third position last year into first position this year and became Canada's principal leading wheat customer in 1967-68. Communist China remained in second position taking 52.0 million bushels compared to 90.5 million the year previous while the U.S.S.R. (Russia) with purchases of 49.0 million bushels dropped to third position from first place the previous crop year. Other principal markets during the 1967-68 crop year with quantities in millions of bushels, with the 1966-67 crop year figures in brackets were as follows: Japan, 40.8 (60.2); India, 22.4 (42.0); Federal Republic of Germany, 17.5 (22.6); Italy, 10.1 (9.5); and Belgium and Luxembourg 9.4 (13.8).

Exports of wheat flour in 1967-68 went to 88 countries with shipments to Cuba amounting to the equivalent of 11.3 million bushels and representing 47 per cent of the crop year total. Exports of Canadian wheat flour to Cuba in 1966-67 were the equivalent of 12.3 million bushels and accounted for 39 per cent of the total. Other leading markets for Canadian wheat flour in 1967-1968 were as follows, in millions of bushels of wheat equivalent, with revised 1966-67 data in brackets: Britain, 2.9 (5.4); Ghana, 1.6 (1.3); Jamaica, 1.5 (1.5); Ceylon, 0.9 (1.0); and Leeward and Windward Islands, 0.8 (1.0). Of the 0.8 million bushels of seed wheat exported during 1967-68, shipments to the United States, at 0.5 million and Saudi Arabia at 0.3 million accounted for 60 per cent and 40 per cent, respectively, of the crop year total.



August Forecast of  
Production of Canada's  
1968 Grain Crops

With the exception of winter wheat, and rapeseed, production of each of the major Canadian grains will be above last year's levels on the basis of yields indicated at August 15. Realization of the 1968 yield and production forecasts in the accompanying table is dependent on the existence of satisfactory weather conditions throughout the remainder of the growing and harvesting season. Swathing operations which were well advanced in many southern areas and just starting in the north, were suspended due to continuing rains. Frosts occurred on August 12, 13 and 14 at various points in the Prairies and immature crops were vulnerable to damage. The extent of damage however, may not be fully reflected in correspondent's returns as of August 15 on which this forecast is based. In northern areas warm, dry weather for at least another three weeks will be required to mature late crops before harvest can commence. Seeding of this year was carried out under dry conditions and low soil moisture reserves. Improved moisture conditions in June however, prevented serious deterioration of crops in moisture deficient areas. Rains during July accompanied by cool summer temperatures improved crop prospects in the drier parts of Alberta and Saskatchewan.

August Forecast of the 1968 Production of Principal Grain Crops  
Canada and Prairie Provinces, Compared with 1967

Province and crop	Area		Yield per acre		Production	
	1967	1968	1967	1968(1)	1967	1968(1)
	acres		bushels		bushels	
<u>Canada</u>						
Winter wheat .....	400,000	355,000	38.7	43.0	15,480,000	15,265,000
Spring wheat(2) ..	29,720,800	29,067,500 <sup>r</sup>	19.4	21.8	577,440,000	634,350,000
All wheat .....	30,120,800	29,422,500 <sup>r</sup>	19.7	22.1	592,920,000	649,615,000
Oats for grain ...	7,436,100	7,765,900	40.9	45.9	304,178,000	356,197,000
Barley .....	8,115,000	8,836,500 <sup>r</sup>	30.6	36.6	248,662,000	322,985,000
Fall rye .....	601,000	590,600	18.1 <sup>r</sup>	20.0	10,864,000 <sup>r</sup>	11,827,000
Spring rye .....	84,300	88,000	13.3	16.6	1,117,000	1,460,000
All rye .....	685,300	678,600	17.5	19.6	11,981,000 <sup>r</sup>	13,287,000
Flaxseed .....	1,023,400	1,524,400	9.2	12.0	9,378,000 <sup>r</sup>	18,227,000
Mixed grains .....	1,668,200	1,667,000	45.8	50.8	76,427,000	84,683,000
Rapeseed .....	1,620,000	1,052,000	15.2 <sup>r</sup>	17.6	24,700,000 <sup>r</sup>	18,550,000
<u>Prairie Provinces</u>						
Wheat(2) .....	29,570,000	28,860,000	19.4	21.8	574,000,000	628,000,000
Oats(3) .....	5,090,000	5,550,000	38.3	43.8	195,000,000	243,000,000
Barley .....	7,600,000	8,330,000	30.3	35.8	230,000,000	298,000,000
Rye .....	628,300	619,000	16.7 <sup>r</sup>	18.7	10,467,000 <sup>r</sup>	11,600,000
Flaxseed .....	998,000	1,502,000	9.0 <sup>r</sup>	11.9	9,000,000 <sup>r</sup>	17,900,000
Rapeseed .....	1,620,000	1,052,000	15.2 <sup>r</sup>	17.6	24,700,000 <sup>r</sup>	18,550,000

(1) As indicated on basis of conditions on or about August 15.

(2) Includes Durum wheat.

(3) Estimated areas for harvest as oats.

<sup>r</sup> Revised figures.



Canada's 1968 wheat crop, currently forecast at 649.6 million bushels is 10 per cent larger than last year's 592.9 million, and 20 per cent above the ten-year (1957-66) average of 540.4 million. Average yields increased from 19.7 bushels in 1967 to 22.1 bushels per acre this year, and are above the 1957-66 average of 20.5 bushels per acre.

The 1968 crop of spring wheat, forecast at 634.4 million bushels is being harvested from a seeded area of 29.1 million acres and yielding an indicated 21.8 bushels per acre. The 1967 spring wheat crop of 577.4 million bushels was produced on 29.7 million acres and yielded an average of 19.4 bushels per acre. The 1968 yield for Ontario's winter wheat crop is placed at 43.0 bushels per acre as compared with 38.7 bushels in 1967. With an 11 per cent decline in harvested acreage this year's production at 15.3 million bushels is below the 15.5 million in 1967.

August Forecast of the 1968 Production of Wheat, Canada and Provinces  
Compared with 1967

Province	Area		Yield per acre		Production	
	1967	1968	1967	1968(1)	1967	1968(1)
	acres		bushels		bushels	
<u>All wheat</u>						
Canada .....	30,120,800	29,422,500	19.7	22.1	592,920,000	649,615,000
Ontario .....	413,000	366,000	38.4	42.6	15,844,000	15,594,000
<u>Spring wheat</u>						
Canada(2) .....	29,720,800	29,067,500 <sup>r</sup>	19.4	21.8	577,440,000	634,350,000
Prince Edward						
Island .....	1,600	2,000	28.8	36.0	46,000	72,000
Nova Scotia .....	2,000	2,000	33.0	41.0	66,000	82,000
New Brunswick ....	4,100	4,500	26.8	30.5	110,000	137,000
Quebec .....	29,100	30,000 <sup>r</sup>	25.9	26.0	754,000	780,000
Ontario .....	13,000	11,000	28.0	29.9	364,000	329,000
Manitoba(2) .....	3,520,000	3,400,000	25.6	27.1	90,000,000	92,000,000
Saskatchewan(2) ..	19,670,000	19,000,000	17.2	19.5	339,000,000	370,000,000
Alberta(2) .....	6,380,000	6,460,000	22.7	25.7	145,000,000	166,000,000
Br. Columbia .....	101,000	158,000	20.8	31.3	2,100,000	4,950,000
<u>Winter wheat</u>						
Canada(3) .....	400,000	355,000	38.7	43.0	15,480,000	15,265,000

(1) As indicated on basis of conditions on or about August 15.

(2) Includes Durum wheat.

(3) Winter wheat estimates apply to Ontario only. The western wheat crop contains a relatively small proportion of winter wheat but, due to difficulties encountered in obtaining acreage data required for a separate winter wheat estimate in the Prairie Provinces, all western wheat is currently included under spring wheat.

<sup>r</sup> Revised figures.

In the Prairie Provinces, the 1968 wheat crop is forecast at 628.0 million bushels, some 9 per cent above last year's crop of 574.0 million and 21 per cent above the ten-year (1957-66) average of 519.7 million. The forecasted average yield per seeded acre in the Prairie Provinces, on the basis of conditions at August 15, is 21.8 bushels per acre, with the Manitoba average 27.1 Saskatchewan 19.5 and Alberta 25.7 bushels per acre. Production in each of these provinces in millions of bushels, with last year's estimate in brackets, is as follows: Manitoba, 92.0 (90.0) Saskatchewan, 370.0 (339.0) and Alberta, 166.0 (145.0). Relatively small amounts of winter wheat are included in these forecasts for the Prairie Provinces.

The indicated production of durum wheat, which is included in the above forecast of spring wheat is 44.4 million bushels compared with last year's revised estimate of 20.2 million. Forecasts of 1968 production in each of the Prairie Provinces in millions of bushels, with last year's estimates in brackets are: Manitoba, 3.2 (1.3) Saskatchewan, 35.0 (16.5) and Alberta, 6.2 (2.4). The acreage seeded to this crop was 80 per cent larger than in 1967. Yields per acre in 1968 with 1967 figures in brackets are: Manitoba, 24.6 (20.8) Saskatchewan 17.5 (14.6) Alberta, 29.7 (21.6) and the Prairie Provinces 19.0 (15.5).

Crop Conditions  
in the Prairie  
Provinces

According to the Telegraphic Crop Report published under date of September 11, 1968, crop conditions in each of the Prairie Provinces were summarized as follows:

Unfavourable weather conditions all across Manitoba continue to delay harvest operations. Heavy rains last week caused widespread flooding of the low areas of the Red River Valley, south-central and south-western districts of the province. Swathing varies from 5 to 25 per cent in the central, eastern and Interlake district. Very little combining has been completed and some barley and rye has been in the swath for over a month. All crops are affected by excessive moisture. Considerable damage has occurred to cereals from lodging, heads breaking off, and sprouting. Flax however, is withstanding adverse weather conditions better than most crops. Losses to the hay crop are heavy and a shortage of fodder may develop in most districts throughout the province.

Present ideal weather will rapidly advance harvesting operations in Saskatchewan. On a provincial basis some 45 per cent of the cereal grains has been swathed. With the exception of the northern districts, about 70 per cent of the swathing has been completed in the western half of the province. In the southeast districts some 40 per cent has been swathed and this ranges down to 15 per cent in the east-central to less than 10 per cent in the northern districts. Threshing progress has been much slower but operations will advance rapidly this week if the present ideal weather holds.

In the southern part of Alberta most of the winter wheat crop has been threshed. Harvesting of spring wheat and other grains is progressing rapidly in the Brooks-Medicine Hat area where about 50 per cent of the wheat and 65 per cent of the barley is now threshed. In the dark brown soil areas wheat swathing has progressed reasonably well with about 30 to 90 per cent cut. Excessive moisture has promoted extensive second growth in some areas thus making wheat prospects uncertain. Swathing has progressed favourably and some threshing has been carried out in the Peace River area where yields are reported to be variable due to frost damage. However, good yields have been obtained from grass seed crops.



Delivery Quota on Durum Wheat The Canadian Wheat Board in its Instructions to the Trade Re Quotas (General) No. 7 under date of September 11, 1968 announced that effective immediately and until Friday, November 29, 1968, a supplementary quota on Durum Wheat of ten bushels per acre seeded to Durum Wheat is hereby established at all delivery points.

The reason for this temporary supplementary quota is that the Board is anxious to have as much Durum Wheat as possible at the Lakehead prior to the close of navigation to meet overseas and domestic requirements for Durum Wheat.

All deliveries made under this authorization must be properly recorded in the producer's delivery permit book on one of the pages for deliveries under supplementary quotas and must be confined to the delivery point indicated therein.

General Quota Position By September 11, 1968 out of a total of 1,833 shipping points in the Western Division, the Canadian Wheat Board had placed 265 points on a delivery quota of one bushel per specified acre. Some 1,562 points remained on the Initial Unit Quota while only 6 stations were reported as "closed".

Summary of Elevator Shipping Points in the Western Division  
as at September 11, 1968

Province	Initial unit quota	General quota in bushels per specified acre	Closed	Total
		One		
Ontario .....	—	1	—	1
Manitoba .....	324	—	1	325
Saskatchewan .....	863	127	1	991
Alberta .....	375	131	4	510
British Columbia ...	—	6	—	6
All provinces ....	1,562	265	6	1,833

Wheat Production in  
Canada and the Prairie  
Provinces 1910-68

The first forecast of the 1968 wheat crop in Canada, based on conditions at August 15, placed the probable outturn at 649.6 million bushels, of which the Prairie Provinces accounted for 628.0 million. If a crop this size is realized, it would be 10 per cent larger than last year's harvest of 592.9 million and 20 per cent above the ten-year (1957-66) average of 540.4 million.

Wheat Production in Canada and the Prairie Provinces, 1910-68

Year	Canada	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	Three Prairie Provinces
			thousand bushels		
1910 .....	132,078	34,127	66,979	9,060	110,167
1911 .....	231,237	62,820	109,323	36,554	208,697
1912 .....	224,159	63,017	106,960	34,303	204,280
1913 .....	231,717	53,331	121,559	34,372	209,262
1914 .....	161,280	38,605	73,494	28,859	140,958
1915 .....	393,543	69,337	224,312	66,538	360,187
1916 .....	262,781	29,667	147,559	65,088	242,314
1917 .....	233,743	41,040	117,921	52,992	211,953
1918 .....	189,075	48,191	92,493	23,752	164,436
1919 .....	193,260	40,975	89,994	34,575	165,544
1920 .....	263,189	37,542	113,135	83,461	234,138
1921 .....	300,858	39,054	188,000	53,044	280,098
1922 .....	399,786	60,051	250,167	64,976	375,194
1923 .....	474,199	35,804	271,622	144,834	452,260
1924 .....	262,097	41,464	132,918	61,312	235,694
1925 .....	395,475	33,624	235,472	97,962	367,058
1926 .....	407,136	47,133	219,646	113,986	380,765
1927 .....	479,665	30,773	252,500	171,286	454,559
1928 .....	566,726	52,383	321,215	171,000	544,598
1929 .....	302,192	28,565	160,565	90,206	279,336
1930 .....	420,672	43,600	206,700	147,000	397,300
1931 .....	321,325	28,112	132,466	140,603	301,181
1932 .....	443,061	44,041	211,551	167,355	422,947
1933 .....	281,892	32,666	128,004	102,334	263,004
1934 .....	275,849	37,100	114,200	112,500	263,800
1935 .....	281,935	23,250	142,198	98,648	264,096
1936 .....	219,218	26,000	110,000	66,000	202,000
1937 .....	180,210	45,100	36,000	75,700	156,800
1938 .....	360,010	50,000	137,800	148,200	336,000
1939 .....	520,623	61,300	271,300	161,400	494,000
1940 .....	540,190	66,400	266,700	180,700	513,800
1941 .....	314,710	51,000	147,000	98,000	296,000
1942 .....	556,067	53,000	305,000	171,000	529,000
1943 .....	282,377	39,000	146,000	82,800	267,800
1944 .....	414,859	50,300	242,100	99,300	391,700
1945 .....	316,320	38,800	168,100	87,700	294,600
1946 .....	411,601	58,000	208,000	127,000	393,000
1947 .....	338,506	42,000	173,000	105,000	320,000
1948 .....	381,413	50,000	191,000	115,000	356,000
1949 .....	366,028	52,000	186,000	103,000	341,000
1950 .....	466,490	50,000	272,000	117,000	439,000
1951 .....	553,678	53,000	325,000	152,000	530,000
1952 .....	701,973	57,000	449,000	172,000	678,000
1953 .....	634,040	48,000	391,000	165,000	604,000
1954 .....	331,981	29,000	169,000	107,000	305,000
1955 .....	519,178	42,000	320,000	135,000	497,000
1956 .....	573,040	56,000	355,000	140,000	551,000
1957 .....	392,719	49,000	229,000	93,000	371,000
1958 .....	398,077	61,000	213,000	98,000	372,000
1959 .....	445,077	62,000	253,000	115,000	430,000
1960 .....	518,379	66,000	327,000	105,000	498,000
1961 .....	283,394	34,000	137,000	89,000	260,000
1962 .....	565,554	80,000	354,000	112,000	546,000
1963 .....	723,442	61,000	493,000	149,000	703,000
1964 .....	600,424	85,000	348,000	145,000	578,000
1965 .....	648,917	79,000	400,000	153,000	632,000
1966 .....	827,338	79,000	537,000	191,000	807,000
1967 <sup>r</sup> .....	592,920	90,000	339,000	145,000	574,000
1968(1) .....	649,615	92,000	370,000	166,000	628,000

(1) Based on conditions on or about August 15, 1968. r Revised figures.



Carryover Stocks  
of Canadian Grain  
at July 31, 1968

Total carryover stocks of the five major Canadian grains in all North American positions at July 31, 1968 were estimated at 887.5 million bushels, 6 per cent above last year's revised total of 838.4 million, reflecting an increase in wheat stocks which more than offset decreases in oats, barley, rye and flaxseed. Total stocks of wheat were estimated at 667.5 million bushels, 16 per cent above last year's revised estimate of 576.8 million. Stocks of oats in all positions estimated at 77.0 million bushels, were 30 per cent below last year's 109.8 million. Barley stocks, at 130.6 million bushels, were slightly less than the 131.8 million held in 1967. Carryover stocks of rye in all positions, estimated at 7.5 million bushels, were 9 per cent below last year's 8.3 million. July-end carryover stocks of flaxseed at 4.8 million bushels decreased sharply from the 11.8 million of the previous year.

Stocks of Canadian Grain at July 31, 1968

Position	Wheat	Oats	Barley	Rye	Flaxseed
thousand bushels					
<u>In Canada</u>					
On Farms .....	236,000	55,000	71,300	1,900	600
Country elevators(1) .....	255,456	10,668	41,704	2,300	1,111
Interior private and mill elevators .....	5,288	356	104	21	13
Interior terminal elevators .....	13,725	10	2,864	1	—
Vancouver-New Westminster .....	8,670	228	1,547	590	727
Victoria elevator .....	800	—	—	—	—
Prince Rupert elevator .....	753	1	1	—	—
Churchill elevator .....	4,163	39	—	—	—
Fort William-Port Arthur elevators ..	63,026	5,985	8,223	1,782	1,193
In transit rail:					
Western Division .....	28,533	1,905	2,504	452	388
Eastern Division .....	204	—	—	—	—
In transit lake .....	1,964	—	—	—	—
Eastern elevators .....	46,703	2,753	2,357	293	734
Eastern mills (mill bins only) .....	2,127	57	—	—	—
Western mills (mill bins only) .....	134	3	1	10	—
Totals in Canada(1) .....	667,546	77,005	130,605	7,349	4,766
In United States .....	—	—	—	198	—
Totals, Canadian Grain in Canada and United States, July 31, 1968(1)	667,546	77,005	130,605	7,547	4,766
<u>Comparative stocks, July 31, 1967<sup>F</sup></u>					
In Canada .....	576,751	109,791	131,751	7,833	11,831
In United States .....	—	—	—	462	—
Totals in Canada and United States	576,751	109,791	131,751	8,295	11,831

(1) Preliminary revised — Subject to further revision.

<sup>F</sup> Revised figures.

In the Prairie Provinces farm-held stocks of wheat, oats, barley, rye and flaxseed at July 31, 1968 amounted to 345.5 million bushels, an increase of 4 per cent over the July-end 1967 total of 333.7 million. Since the bulk of farm stocks of grain is held in Western Canada, stocks in the Prairie Provinces have been segregated from the above table for ease in comparison with last year's totals.

Estimated Farm Stocks in the Prairie Provinces, July 31, 1968 and 1967

Province	Wheat	Oats	Barley	Rye	Flaxseed
thousand bushels					
Manitoba .....	21,000	9,000	9,000	200	60
Saskatchewan .....	160,000	16,000	30,000	900	440
Alberta .....	52,000	17,000	29,000	800	100
Totals, July 31, 1968(1) .....	233,000	42,000	68,000	1,900	600
Totals, July 31, 1967 .....	202,000	65,000	63,000	2,200	1,500

(1) Subject to revision.

Canadian Wheat Preliminary estimates place total stocks of Canadian wheat in all North American positions at July 31, 1968 at 667.5 million bushels compared with last year's revised estimate of 576.8 million and the record high at July 31, 1957 of 733.5 million bushels. An estimated 236.0 million bushels of this year's total were held on farms, while 255.5 million of the off-farm stocks were in country elevators. The next largest amounts, 63.0 million and 46.7 million bushels, were in store in Fort William-Port Arthur terminals, and in Eastern elevators, respectively.

It should be pointed out that the figures in the table below are not strictly comparable because of certain omissions in the earlier years. Stocks of Canadian wheat held in bond by United States flour mills were omitted each year until 1940-41 when they were included for the first time. The carryover totals now include all Canadian wheat in North American positions whether on farms, in store or in transit.

Carryover of Canadian Wheat in Canada and the United States, July 31, 1937-68

Year	Carryover of wheat in Canada	Stocks of Canadian wheat in U.S. positions thousand bushels	Total carryover of Canadian wheat in Canada and U.S.
1937 .....	32,938	4,111	37,049
1938 .....	23,553	983	24,536
1939 .....	94,632	8,279	102,911
1940 .....	272,928	27,546	300,473
1941 .....	448,338	31,792	480,129
1942 .....	404,897	18,856	423,752
1943 .....	579,371	15,255	594,626
1944 .....	338,138	18,394	356,531
1945 .....	238,480	19,593	258,073
1946 .....	73,466	134	73,600
10-year average 1937-46 .....	250,674	14,494	265,168
1947 .....	86,055	87	86,141
1948 .....	77,676	35	77,710
1949 .....	102,343	68	102,411
1950 .....	112,200	—	112,200
1951 .....	187,190	2,013	189,203
1952 .....	214,934	2,244	217,178
1953 .....	382,546	640	383,185
1954 .....	618,568	107	618,675
1955 .....	536,302	446	536,748
1956 .....	578,803	771	579,574
10-year average 1947-56 .....	289,662	641	290,303
1957 .....	733,335	211	733,546
1958 .....	648,454	—	648,454
1959 .....	587,842	159	588,001
1960 .....	599,588	—	599,588
1961 <sup>r</sup> .....	608,341	—	608,341
1962 .....	391,058	—	391,058
1963 .....	487,247	—	487,247
1964 .....	459,440	—	459,440
1965 .....	513,024	—	513,024
1966 .....	420,122	—	420,122
10-year average 1957-66 .....	544,845	37	544,882
1967 <sup>r</sup> .....	576,751	—	576,751
1968 <sup>p</sup> .....	667,546	—	667,546

<sup>r</sup> Revised figures.

<sup>p</sup> Preliminary figures.



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

Week ending		Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	Total	Last year <sup>r</sup>
		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	1,866,696	7,562,502	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	15,836,937	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	17,903,608
	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	3,370,936	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	1,361,104	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
August	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
	31 .....	3,662,758	15,959,706	6,778,639	26,401,103	26,222,894
Totals .....		65,092,000	280,481,000	113,229,000	458,802,000	632,362,468
Average similar period						
1956-57 - 1965-66 .....		50,680,719	278,110,445	103,731,894	432,523,058	

(1) Includes receipts at country, interior private and mill elevators, interior semi-public terminals and platform loadings. <sup>r</sup> Revised figures.

Visible Supply of Canadian Wheat, August 21, 1968  
Compared with Approximately the Same Date, 1966 and 1967

Position	1966	1967	1968
	thousand bushels		
Country elevators — Manitoba .....	15,519	17,877	35,876
Saskatchewan .....	98,809	105,474	145,557
Alberta .....	51,254	61,905	69,697
Sub-totals .....	165,582	185,256	251,130
Interior private and mill .....	6,397	6,089	4,691
Interior terminals .....	2,356	13,466	13,696
Vancouver-New Westminster .....	9,090	11,069	10,657
Victoria .....	224	834	949
Prince Rupert .....	476	647	475
Churchill .....	3,774	4,166	3,508
Fort William-Port Arthur .....	28,265	52,248	63,026
In transit rail (western division) .....	18,391	8,978	20,812
Bay, Lake and Upper St. Lawrence ports ..	16,170	34,795	26,992
Lower St. Lawrence and Maritime ports ...	30,351	31,079	13,123
In transit lake .....	16,918	5,735	930
In transit rail (eastern division) .....	1,614	202	200
Totals .....	299,608	354,564	410,189

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

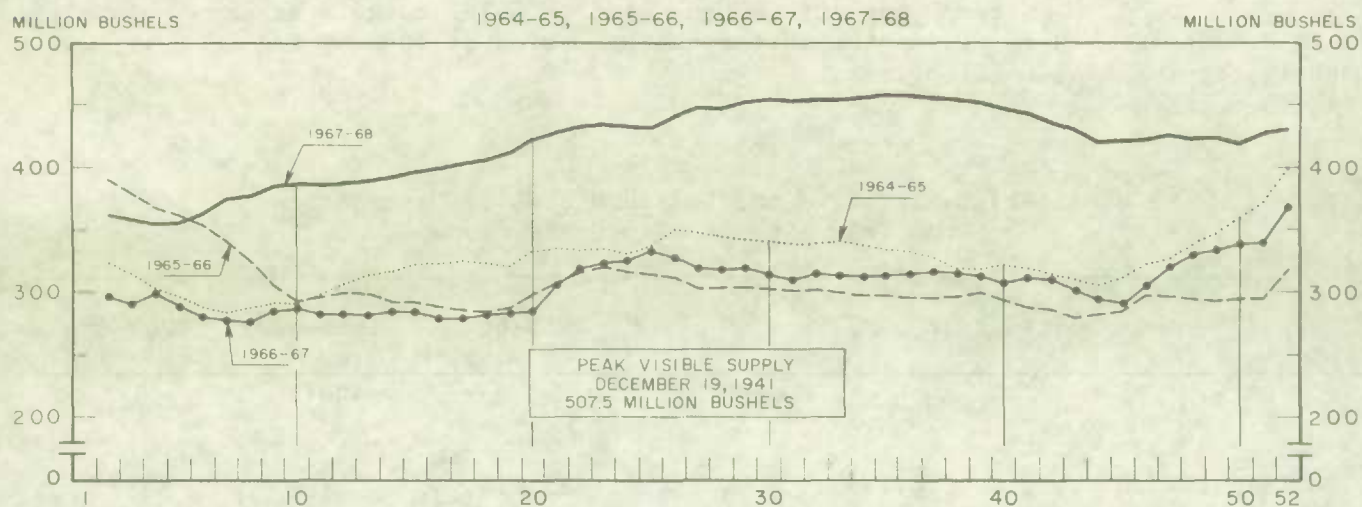
Grade	Crop year				
	Average	1966-67		1967-68	
	1961-62 — 1965-66				
	per cent	cars	per cent	cars	per cent
No. 1 Man. Northern .....	8.3	21,834	6.8	56,790	27.9
No. 2 Man. Northern .....	39.2	114,582	35.7	88,499	43.4
No. 3 Man. Northern .....	20.3	88,906	27.7	30,149	14.8
No. 4 Man. Northern .....	9.7	24,263	7.6	6,060	3.0
No. 5 Wheat .....	4.1	8,491	2.6	870	0.4
No. 6 Wheat .....	0.5	1,962	0.6	276	0.1
Feed Wheat .....	(1)	215	0.1	40	(1)
Others Red Spring .....	11.5	39,919	12.4	8,233	4.0
C.W. Garnet .....	0.2	252	0.1	571	0.3
C.W. White Spring .....	0.1	456	0.1	231	0.1
C.W. Mixed Wheat .....	(1)	257	0.1	131	0.1
Alberta Winter .....	0.4	5,045	1.6	2,019	1.0
Nos. 1-6 C.W. Amber Durum .....	5.4	13,675	4.3	9,556	4.7
Others C.W. Amber Durum .....	0.3	1,032	0.3	408	0.2
Totals .....	100.0	320,889	100.0	203,833	100.0
Gross bushels (approx.) .....		636,313,000 <sup>r</sup>		395,416,000	

(1) Less than .05 per cent.

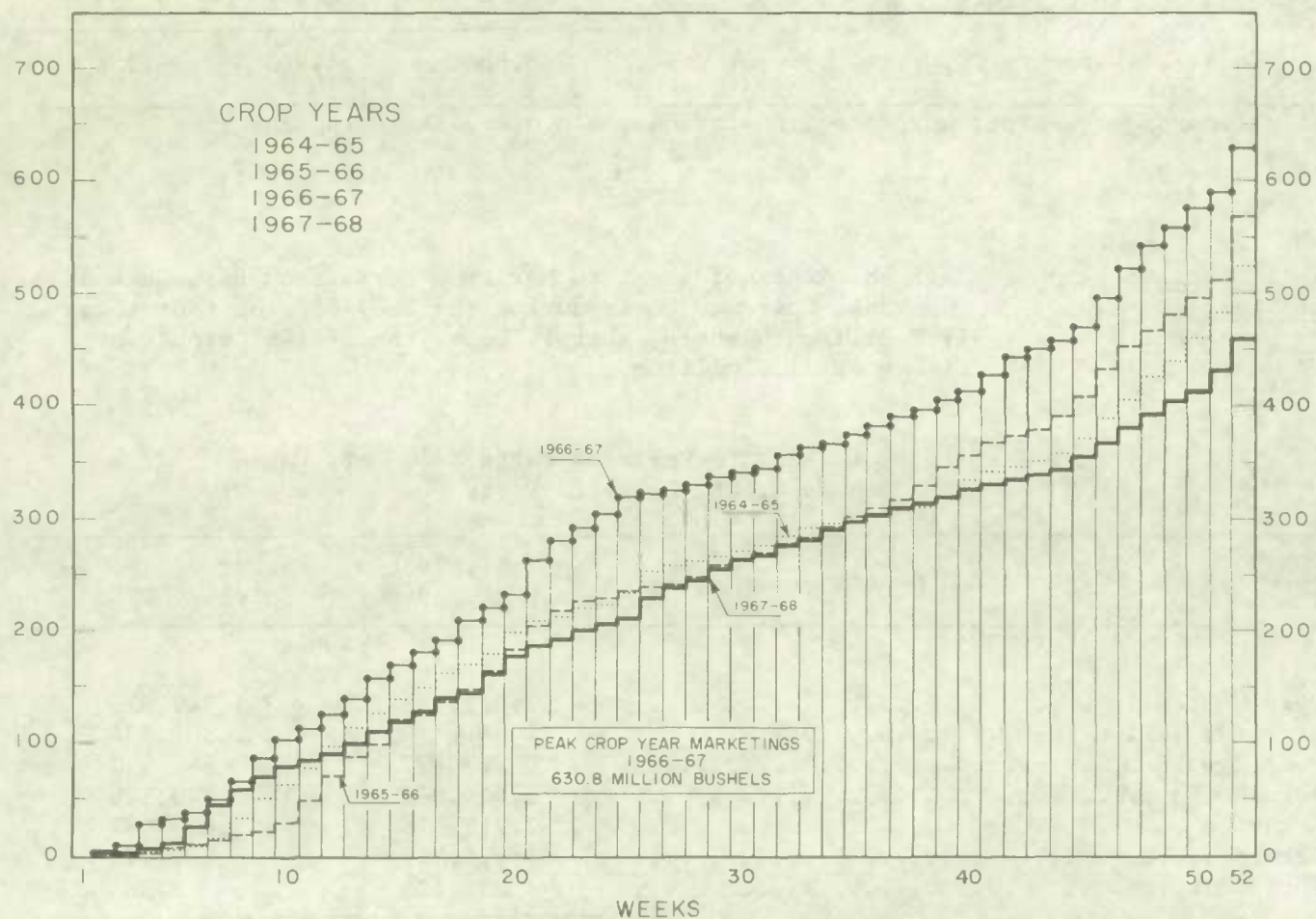
<sup>r</sup> Revised figure.



# 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, during the crop year 1967-68 amounted to 4,357 bushels as compared to the 154,913 bushels shipped during the corresponding period of 1966-67 and the 735,668 bushels for the 1965-66 crop year.

Wheat Shipments(1) to the United States by Destination  
Crop Year 1967-68 with Comparisons

Destination	1965-66	1966-67	1967-68
	bushels		
<u>By vessel</u>			
Buffalo .....	735,668	—	—
<u>By rail</u>			
U.S.A. domestic points .....	—	154,913	4,357
Totals, shipments .....	735,668	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 the 1967-68 crop year totalled 11.7 million bushels, sharply below the 1966-67 crop year figure of 31.7 million.

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

Origin of shipments	August 1, 1966 — July 31, 1967	August 1, 1967 — July 31, 1968
	bushels	
Port McNicoll .....	7,922,136	3,940,013
Midland, Tiffin .....	11,140,797	2,371,831
Collingwood .....	724,477	366,430
Owen Sound .....	5,134,848	2,770,779
Goderich .....	2,910,373	1,474,337
Sarnia .....	3,075,343	726,274
Port Colborne .....	830,125	9,383
Totals .....	31,738,099	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	142,833
January .....	10,703	46,108	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	88,500
Totals .....	264,376	635,913	1,593,441	1,615,884

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

Grade	Newfoundland	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario
bushels						
5 Wheat .....	1,500	1,500	11,333	9,167	2,000	9,500
Tough .....	—	—	12,000	2,000	9,400	—
Rejected .....	—	—	—	—	5,100	—
Durum .....	—	—	—	—	22,000	3,000
Totals .....	1,500	1,500	23,333	11,167	38,500	12,500

Overseas Exports of Canadian Grain by Ports of Loading, August 1, 1967 - July 31, 1968  
with Comparisons

Port	Wheat(1)	Durum Wheat(1)	Oats(1)	Barley	Rye	Flaxseed	Rapeseed
thousand bushels							
<u>Pacific Seaboard</u>							
Van.-New West.....	126,357	504	235	29,278	2,924	5,193	12,053
Victoria .....	8,419	—	—	—	—	—	—
Prince Rupert .....	8,174	—	—	—	—	—	—
<u>Churchill</u> .....	21,542	—	—	—	—	—	—
<u>Lakehead direct</u> .....	12,732	517	1,111	932	726	4,619	113
<u>Kingston direct</u> .....	1,187	—	—	—	—	—	—
<u>St. Lawrence</u>							
Montreal .....	28,348	8,542	443	111	—	1,080	—
Sorel .....	12,858	130	—	—	176	—	—
Trois Rivières .....	9,593	396	—	747	—	—	—
Quebec .....	17,022	1,038	—	612	174	968	100
Baie Comeau .....	19,471	1,598	—	38	—	751	—
Port Cartier .....	16,698	—	—	—	—	—	—
<u>Maritime</u>							
West Saint John .....	8,843	—	—	—	—	—	—
Halifax .....	6,226	462	—	—	—	—	—
Totals .....	297,471	13,187	1,789	31,718	4,000	12,611	12,266
August 1, 1966 - July 31, 1967 <sup>r</sup> .....	455,967	26,615	2,374	45,750	8,391	16,568	13,812

(1) Excluding seed.  
<sup>r</sup> Revised figures.

Shipments Under  
Feed Grain  
Assistance Regulations

Claims filed for payment up to June 30, 1968 represent the movement of 9,568 thousand bushels of wheat from the Prairie Provinces to Eastern Canada and British Columbia under the Feed Grain Assistance Regulations during August-May 1967-68 crop year. Revised data on the August 1966 - May 1967 shipments of wheat based on claims submitted up to June 30, 1968 place the ten-month total at 14,456 thousand bushels. The bulk of the shipments during the current ten months under review went to destinations in Quebec, British Columbia and Ontario with these three provinces accounting for a combined 84 per cent of the total.

Provincial Distribution of Wheat Shipments under the Feed Grain Assistance Regulations  
August - May 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	175	286	1,168	5
February .....	4	13	102	20	309	123	146	717	15
March .....	3	12	84	18	419	149	120	805	27
April .....	3	8	85	15	261	116	137	624	11
May .....	1	5	91	15	392	86	73	663	14
Totals(1) .....	145	133	1,063	231	4,497	1,689	1,810	9,568	73
Same period 1966-67									
Preliminary .....					N.A.				
Revised(1) .....	266	172	1,459	419	7,200	2,873	2,066	14,456	-

(1) Based on claims filed up to June 30, 1968.  
N.A. Not available.

Preliminary data on millfeed shipments under the Feed Grain Assistance Regulations indicate shipments of 419,220 tons during the August - May period of the current crop year. Revised data on the August - May 1966-67 shipments of millfeeds based on claims submitted up to June 30, 1968 place the ten-month total at 428,916 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 - May 1967-68 and 1966-67

Province	1966-67		1967-68
	Preliminary	Revised(1)	Preliminary(1)
	tons		
Newfoundland .....		3,945	5,526
Prince Edward Island .....		7,546	7,859
Nova Scotia .....		27,235	28,674
New Brunswick .....		22,234	26,437
Quebec .....	N.A.	214,420	206,514
Ontario .....		127,289	118,510
British Columbia .....		26,247	25,700
Totals .....		428,916	419,220

(1) Based on claims filed up to June 30, 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 wheat and wheat flour(3)
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	33,125	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 .....	12,920	40	12,960	2,166	15,126
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 .....	42,310	19	42,330	1,935	44,265
June .....	40,798	1	40,799	1,359	42,159
July .....	41,975	18	41,993	1,825	43,818
Totals .....	310,669	761	311,430	24,213	335,643

(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, July 1968 and 1967

Destination	Wheat (except durum)	Durum wheat	All wheat	
			July 1968	July 1967 <sup>r</sup>
bushels				
<u>Western Europe</u>				
EEC:				
Belgium and Luxembourg .....	542,845	—	542,845	557,194
France .....	10,289	—	10,289	—
Germany, Federal Republic .....	1,018,771	318,886	1,337,657	1,302,214
Italy .....	1,593,547	918,783	2,512,330	1,054,893
Netherlands .....	1,087,458	119,007	1,206,465	209,254
Sub-totals .....	4,252,910	1,356,676	5,609,586	3,123,555
<u>Other Western Europe</u>				
Britain .....	3,389,792	—	3,389,792	7,258,416
Ireland .....	268,688	—	268,688	—
Norway .....	—	—	—	577,577
Sweden .....	22,400	—	22,400	—
Switzerland .....	56,000	36,587	92,587	414,399
Sub-totals .....	3,736,880	36,587	3,773,467	8,250,392
Totals .....	7,989,790	1,393,263	9,383,053	11,373,947
<u>Eastern Europe</u>				
Albania .....	1,122,464	—	1,122,464	760,555
Czechoslovakia .....	—	—	—	914,452
Poland .....	2,576,000	678,515	3,254,515	1,442,412
U.S.S.R. (Russia) .....	3,656,517	—	3,656,517	5,021,821
Totals .....	7,354,981	678,515	8,033,496	8,139,240
<u>Africa</u>				
Ghana .....	63,202	—	63,202	—
Nigeria .....	103,600	—	103,600	117,600
Republic of South Africa .....	—	—	—	2,652,571
Sudan .....	24,067	—	24,067	—
Totals .....	190,869	—	190,869	2,770,171
<u>Asia</u>				
Afghanistan .....	—	—	—	350,268
China, Communist .....	6,344,377	—	6,344,377	4,573,420
Hong Kong .....	75,600	—	75,600	39,200
India .....	11,441,618	—	11,441,618	1,607,760
Japan .....	5,760,838	—	5,760,838	5,209,036
Lebanon .....	—	—	—	23,131
Malaysia .....	74,853	—	74,853	96,133
Syria .....	—	—	—	15,947
Totals .....	23,697,286	—	23,697,286	11,929,895
<u>Western Hemisphere</u>				
Barbados .....	20	—	20	—
Cuba .....	413,280	—	413,280	664,313
Ecuador .....	112,000	—	112,000	—
Jamaica .....	1,493	—	1,493	498
Venezuela .....	143,733	—	143,733	154,979
Totals .....	670,526	—	670,526	819,790
Sub-totals, all countries .....	39,903,452	2,071,778	41,975,230	35,033,043
Seed wheat(2) .....	—	—	16,534	18,294
Totals, all countries .....	39,903,452	2,071,778	41,991,764	35,051,337

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

(2) Compiled from Canadian Customs returns. Wheat 1967 adjusted for time lag, 1968 preliminary.  
r Revised figures.



Cumulative Exports of Canadian Wheat(1) by Destination

Destination	August 1967 — July 1968			Total same period last year <sup>r</sup>
	Wheat (except durum)	Durum wheat	Total wheat	
bushels				
<u>Western Europe</u>				
EEC:				
Belgium and Luxembourg ..	8,941,008	449,018	9,390,026	13,781,389
France .....	465,242	92,213	557,455	1,747,966
Germany, Federal Republic	13,854,623 <sup>r</sup>	3,620,533	17,475,156 <sup>r</sup>	22,582,315
Italy .....	8,906,477	1,233,589	10,140,066	9,468,420
Netherlands .....	4,891,594 <sup>r</sup>	1,160,264 <sup>r</sup>	6,051,858 <sup>r</sup>	2,626,359
Sub-totals .....	37,058,944 <sup>r</sup>	6,555,617 <sup>r</sup>	43,614,561 <sup>r</sup>	50,206,449
<u>Other Western Europe</u>				
Austria .....	—	638,430	638,430	1,573,291
Britain .....	61,609,567 <sup>r</sup>	306,135	61,915,702 <sup>r</sup>	67,747,512
Denmark .....	31,733 <sup>r</sup>	—	31,733 <sup>r</sup>	22,400
Finland .....	962,240	—	962,240	1,052,576
Ireland .....	1,416,919	11,200	1,428,119	1,725,546
Malta and Gozo .....	551,680	10,640	572,320	577,995
Norway .....	1,706,955	—	1,706,955	1,547,710
Portugal .....	—	—	—	571,200
Sweden .....	74,667	—	74,667	12,133
Switzerland .....	716,035 <sup>r</sup>	1,842,556 <sup>r</sup>	2,558,591 <sup>r</sup>	4,889,584
Sub-totals .....	67,079,796 <sup>r</sup>	2,808,961 <sup>r</sup>	69,888,757 <sup>r</sup>	79,719,947
Totals .....	104,138,740	9,364,578	113,503,318	129,926,396
<u>Eastern Europe</u>				
Albania .....	1,863,568	—	1,863,568	4,220,943
Bulgaria .....	—	—	—	3,800,320
Czechoslovakia .....	3,292,635	1,106,933	4,399,568	4,202,025
Germany, East .....	—	—	—	4,460,835
Hungary .....	2,443,570	—	2,443,570	—
Poland .....	4,498,204	1,257,255	5,755,459	13,782,637
U.S.S.R. (Russia) .....	48,604,020	426,496	49,030,516	93,232,426
Totals .....	60,701,997	2,790,684	63,492,681	123,699,186
<u>Africa</u>				
Algeria .....	818,577	—	818,577	716,495
Ghana .....	265,249	—	265,249	—
Nigeria .....	686,000	—	686,000	953,734
Republic of South Africa ..	901,600	—	901,600	9,433,397
Sudan .....	60,262	—	60,262	36,194
Tanzania .....	298,680	—	298,680	—
Tunisia .....	—	461,626	461,626	—
Totals .....	3,030,368	461,626	3,491,994	11,139,820

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Cumulative Exports of Canadian Wheat(1) by Destination

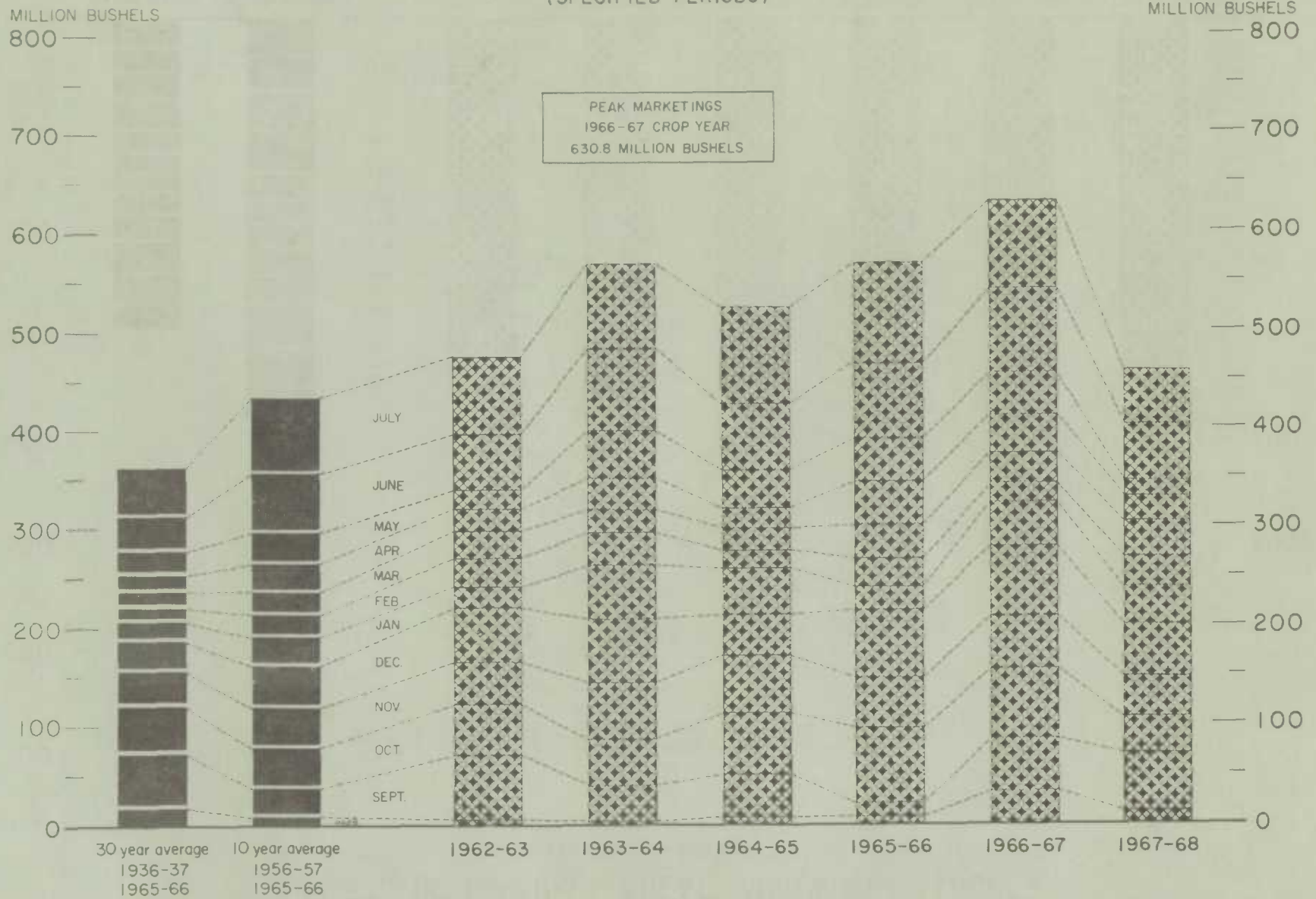
Destination	August 1967 — June 1968			Total same period last year <sup>r</sup>
	Wheat (except durum)	Durum wheat	Total wheat	
bushels				
Asia				
Afghanistan .....	—	—	—	360,268
China, Communist .....	52,012,941	—	52,012,941	90,459,755
Hong Kong .....	915,413	—	915,413	985,290
India .....	22,394,749	—	22,394,749	41,961,250
Iraq .....	44,092	—	44,092	—
Japan .....	40,487,229	355,795	40,843,024	60,238,960
Jordan .....	12,860	—	12,860	—
Korea, North .....	—	—	—	940,426
Lebanon .....	8,613	—	8,613	28,131
Malaysia .....	519,307	—	519,307	575,867
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	29,285
Taiwan .....	902,249	—	902,249	74,074
Turkey .....	124,927	—	124,927	331,034
Totals .....	119,737,728	355,795	120,093,523	204,164,624
Western Hemisphere				
Barbados .....	60	—	60	120
Costa Rica .....	—	—	—	138,960
Cuba .....	5,777,120	130,401	5,907,521	7,167,983
Ecuador .....	405,456	—	405,456	409,346
El Salvador .....	167,488	—	167,488	629,466
Guatemala .....	3,685	—	3,685	28,294
Jamaica .....	459,441	—	459,441	11,464
Nicaragua .....	—	—	—	249,579
Peru .....	—	—	—	39,200
St. Lucia .....	373	—	373	187
Venezuela .....	3,057,724	81,387	3,139,111	4,977,599
United States Domestic(2) ....	4,357	—	4,357	154,913
Totals .....	9,875,704	211,788	10,087,492	13,807,111
Sub-totals, all countries	297,484,537	13,184,471	310,669,008 <sup>r</sup>	482,737,137
Seed wheat(3) .....			759,503	718,593
Totals, all countries ..	297,484,537	13,184,471	311,428,511 <sup>r</sup>	483,455,730

(1) Overseas clearances as reported by the Statistics Division, Board of Grain Commissioners for Canada, for all countries except the United States. Excluding seed wheat. — (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. — <sup>r</sup> Revised figures.



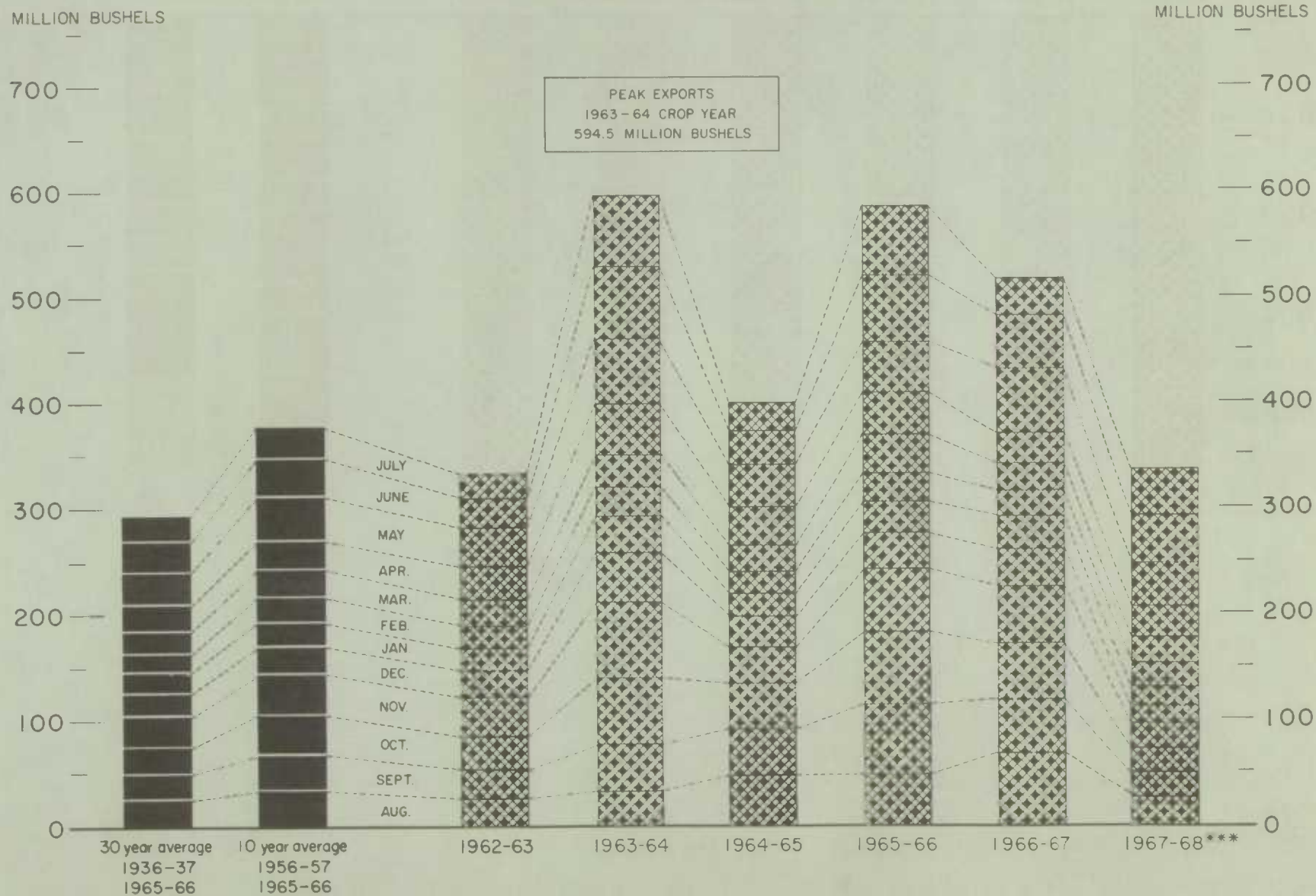
# FARMERS' MARKETINGS OF WHEAT, PRAIRIE PROVINCES

(SPECIFIED PERIODS)



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

(SPECIFIED PERIODS)



\*Beginning with 1955-56 includes bagged wheat.

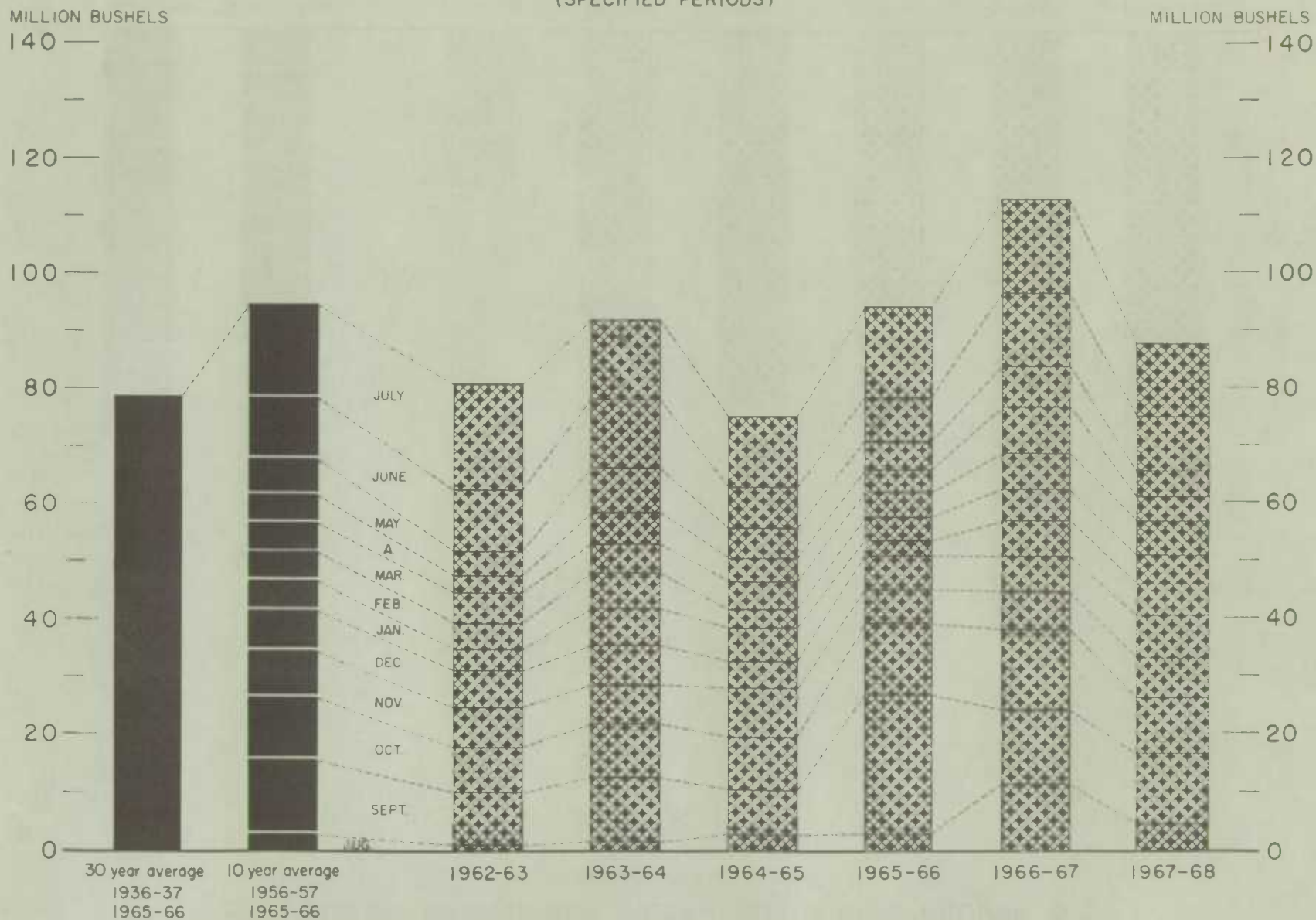
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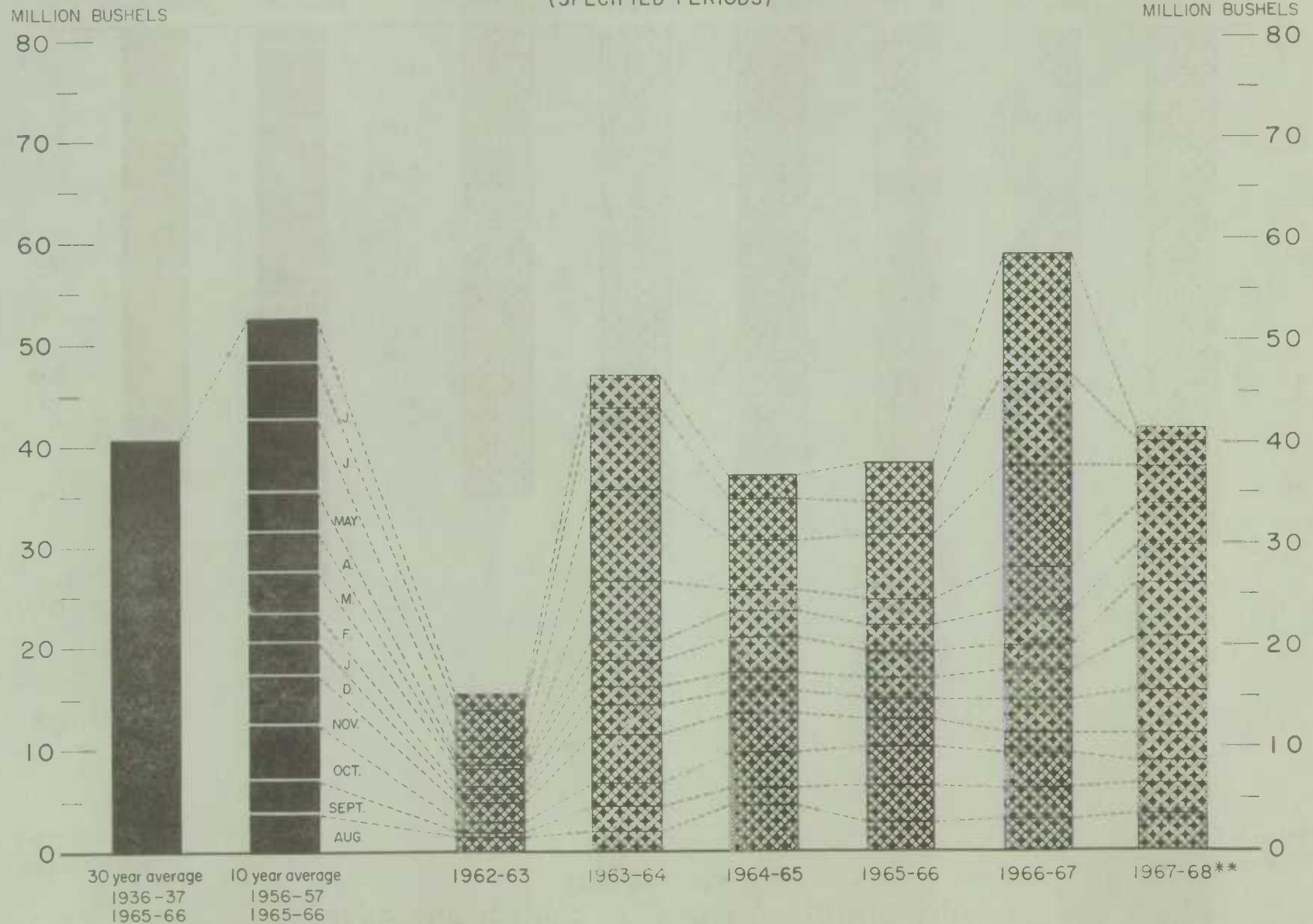


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# EXPORTS OF CANADIAN BARLEY AND BARLEY PRODUCTS\*

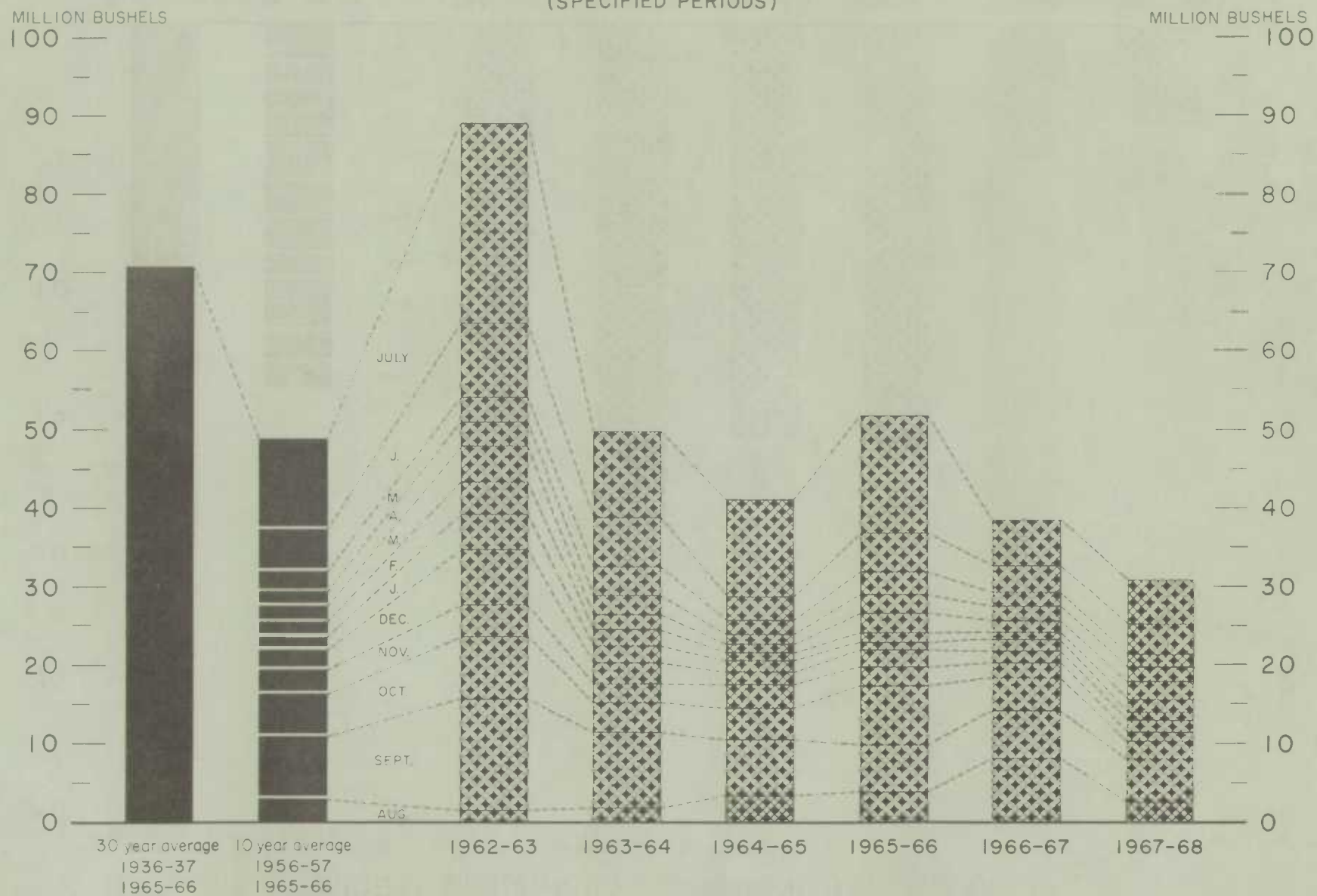
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\*In terms of grain equivalent. \*\*Preliminary.



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

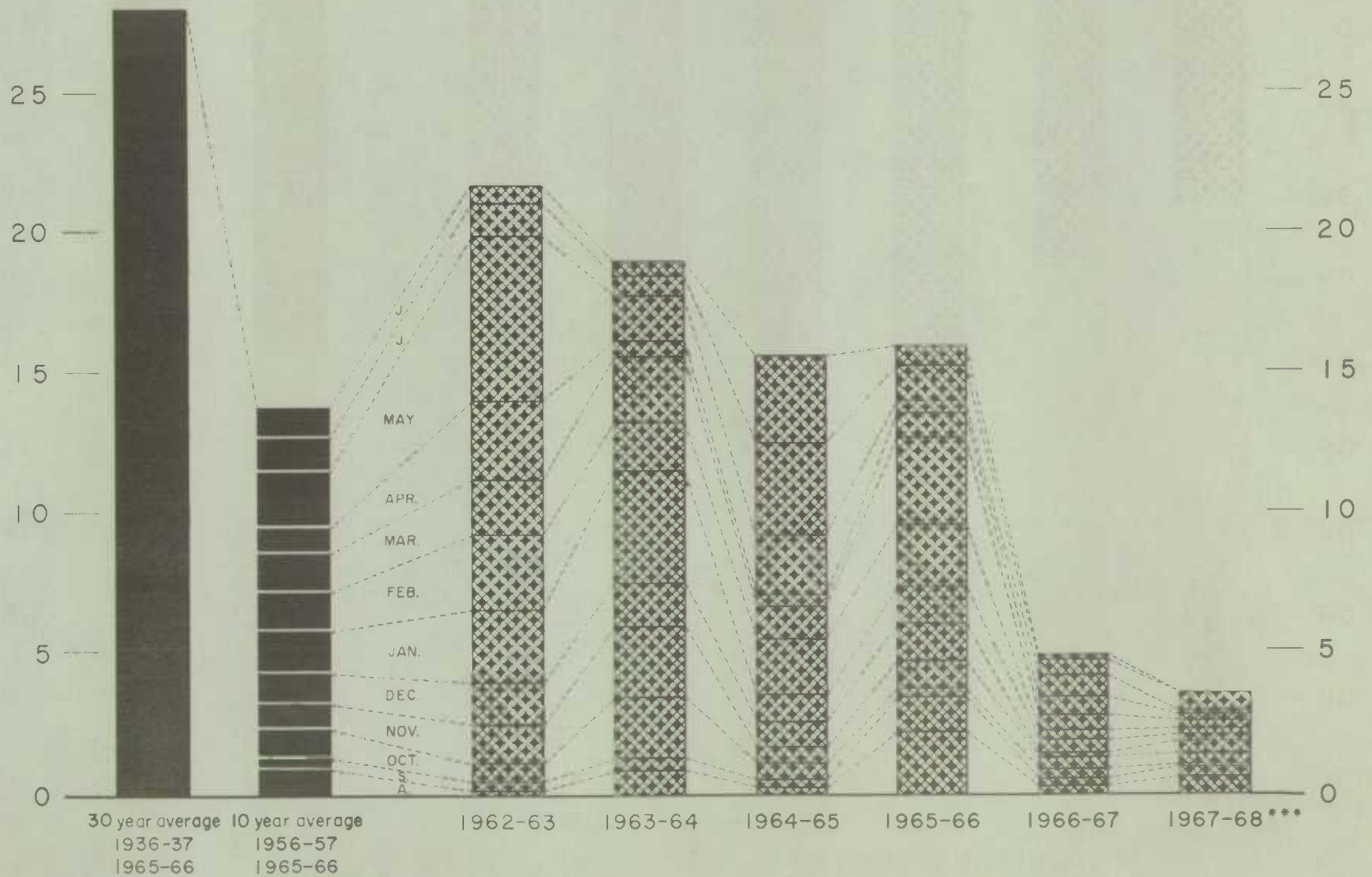


# EXPORTS OF CANADIAN OATS\* AND OAT PRODUCTS\*\*

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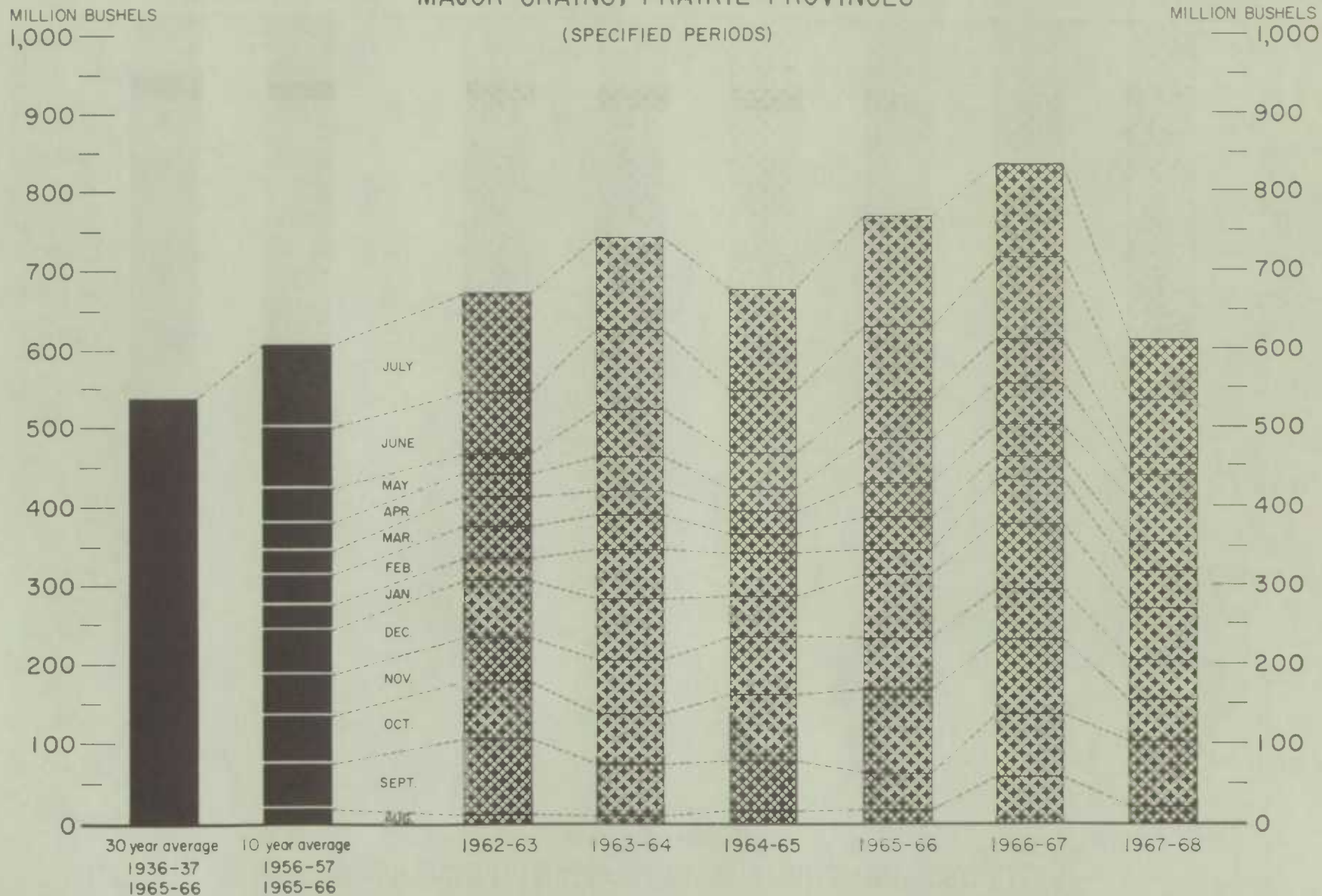
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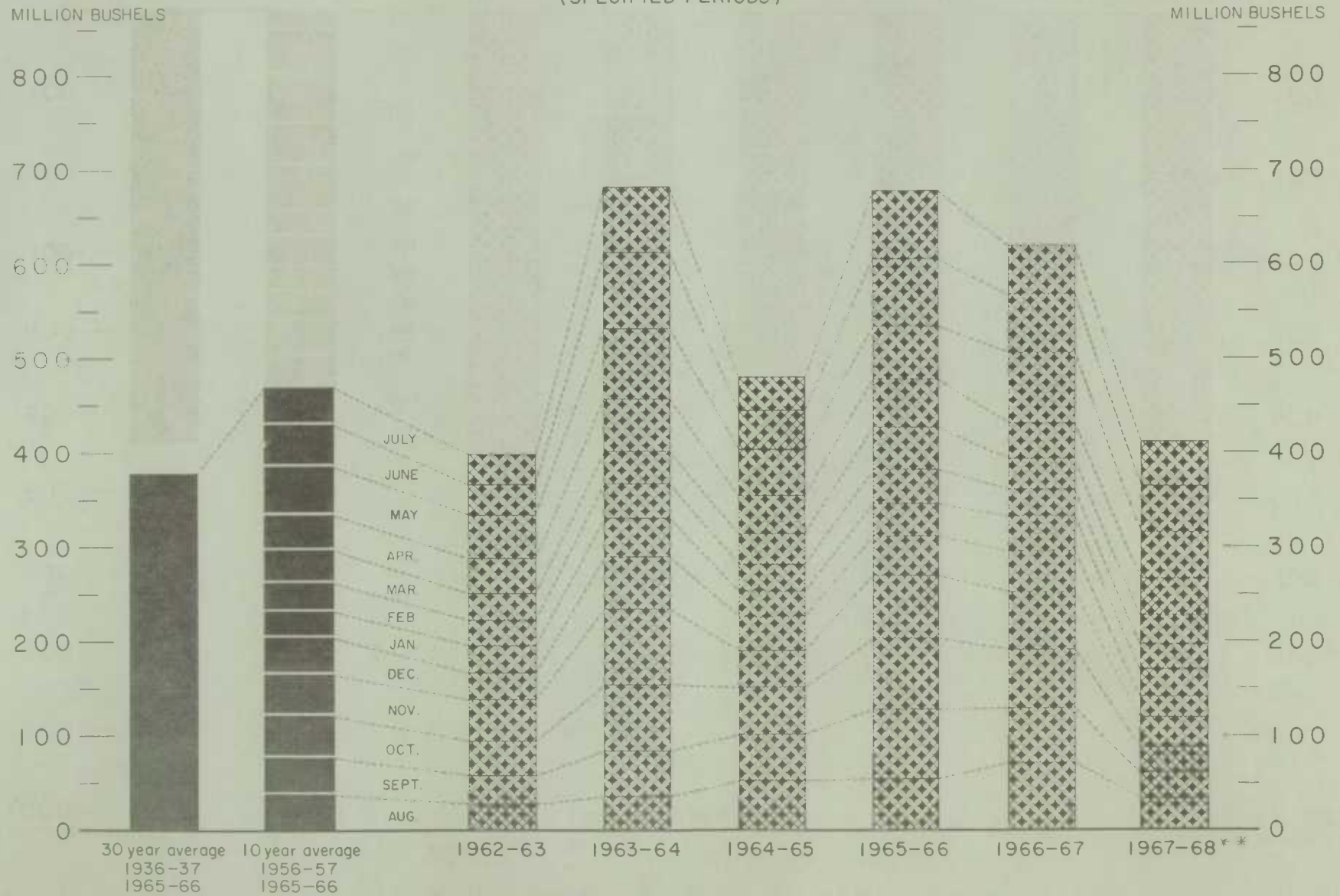


\* Wheat, oats, barley, rye, flaxseed and from 1960-61 rapeseed.

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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.

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Customs Exports of Canadian Wheat Flour by Countries of Consignment

Destination	March	July	August - July	July
	1968(1)	1968(2)	1967-68(2)	1966-67(1)
			bushels	
<u>Western Europe</u>				
EEC:				
Belgium and Luxembourg ..	29,263	12,751	95,774	81,452
Italy .....	—	2,070	22,655	16,215
Netherlands .....	—	—	17,395	11,091
Sub-totals .....	29,263	14,821	135,824	108,758
<u>Other Western Europe</u>				
Britain .....	196,961	182,429	2,879,490	5,386,973
Denmark .....	—	460	1,380	2,530
Gibraltar .....	—	—	17,388	26,017
Greece .....	2,208	19,221	64,986	113,907
Iceland .....	—	2,185	6,036	8,050
Ireland .....	—	—	6,762	3,381
Norway .....	—	—	115	230
Portugal .....	3,703	575	74,766	64,386
Spain .....	—	—	1,966	—
Sweden .....	—	—	515	2,516
Switzerland .....	92	—	92	—
Sub-totals .....	202,964	204,870	3,053,496	5,607,990
Totals .....	232,227	219,691	3,189,320	5,716,748
<u>Africa</u>				
Algeria .....	—	—	138,941	481,724
Angola .....	1,840	3,266	28,221	22,448
British Africa n.e.s. ....	12,075	—	—	—
Cameroun Republic .....	2,300	—	25,585	44,845
Congo-Kinshasa .....	5,060	6,900	83,865	36,218
Dahomey .....	469	2,622	46,713	23,002
French Africa n.e.s. ....	—	—	6,619	34,438
Gambia .....	—	—	87,315	56,569
Ghana .....	93,946	49,887	1,555,338	1,278,908
Ivory Coast .....	1,854	—	8,294	1,380
Liberia .....	12,661	4,434	198,034	194,915
Libya .....	—	—	225	—
Malawi .....	6,240	1,575	67,247	70,651
Morocco .....	—	—	53,243	643,015
Mozambique .....	1,270	3,570	41,483	72,542
Nigeria .....	—	—	—	4,844
Portuguese Africa n.e.s. ..	4,519	1,472	43,102	41,276
Republic of South Africa ..	4,600	—	6,751	—
Senegal .....	460	—	460	198,761
Sierra Leone .....	124	—	18,842	438,198
Tanzania .....	—	—	15,102	7,845
Togo .....	18,193	9,911	155,282	165,529
U.A.R. — Egypt .....	—	36,963	36,963	43,100
Zambia .....	1,150	—	8,050	2,300
Totals .....	166,761	120,600	2,625,675	3,862,508

See footnotes at end of table.

Customs Exports of Canadian Wheat Flour by Countries of Consignment

Destination	March 1968(1)	July 1968(2)	August — July	
			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 .....	24,631	21,482	378,076	595,978
India .....	506	230	135,972	1,623,288
Indonesia .....	—	—	—	108,208
Iran .....	—	170	1,920	5,325
Israel .....	—	—	543,837	—
Japan .....	453	978	6,944	5,223
Jordan .....	—	—	5,218	55,892
Korea, South .....	—	—	19,470	32,294
Lebanon .....	—	338	196,167	52,596
Malaysia .....	—	—	—	3,830
Philippines .....	—	—	354	—
Portuguese Asia .....	—	1,150	16,100	35,456
Qatar .....	—	—	655	462
Saudi Arabia .....	—	276	150,798	9,423
Syria .....	—	71,231	71,231	7,606
Thailand .....	14,720	20,010	222,040	228,850
Trucial States .....	—	—	322	18
Totals .....	40,310	115,865	2,615,906	3,871,387
<u>Oceania</u>				
British Oceania n.e.s. ....	—	460	3,105	1,380
Fiji .....	—	1,599	7,554	6,843
French Oceania .....	—	—	—	497
New Zealand .....	—	—	172	—
United States Oceania .....	—	3,450	42,780	43,930
Totals .....	—	5,509	53,611	52,650
<u>Western Hemisphere</u>				
Argentina .....	—	—	—	5,120
Bahamas .....	23,189	22,345	300,316	322,773
Barbados .....	20,040	14,610	212,235	231,490
Bermuda .....	8,809	4,749	109,885	130,348
Bolivia .....	—	—	18,462	18,255
Brazil .....	—	—	110	5,122
British Honduras .....	6,189	690	56,757	59,582
Chile .....	—	—	205	—

See footnotes at end of table.



Customs Exports of Canadian Wheat Flour by Countries of Consignment

Destination	March 1968(1)	July 1968(2)	August — July	
			1967-68(2)	1966-67(1)
bushels				
<u>Western Hemisphere — Concluded</u>				
Colombia .....	—	—	10,148	—
Costa Rica .....	—	—	2,350	832,752
Cuba(3) .....	1,243,943	1,095,987	11,293,649	12,349,362
Dominican Republic .....	—	460	3,264	2,254
Ecuador .....	—	—	653	4,485
El Salvador .....	—	—	920	600
French Guiana .....	—	—	—	3,335
French West Indies .....	—	1,612	8,940	3,379
Guatemala .....	—	1,150	7,802	26,567
Guyana .....	6,702	2,856	73,924	83,614
Haiti Republic .....	—	4,830	8,931	4,048
Honduras Republic .....	3,335	920	28,847	47,902
Jamaica .....	192,303	83,575	1,540,896	1,518,122
Leeward and Windward Is. ....	59,345	57,178	800,437	986,362
Netherlands Antilles .....	9,692	5,631	144,836	123,283
Nicaragua .....	—	—	—	690
Panama .....	—	389	39,682	36,161
Peru .....	690	—	22,848	12,751
Puerto Rico .....	—	—	97	—
St. Pierre and Miquelon .....	1,828	4,382	25,726	21,501
Surinam .....	888	—	8,719	11,006
Trinidad and Tobago .....	14,403	10,816	428,945	912,806
Venezuela .....	—	—	230	690
United States .....	46,324	50,803	578,639	593,225
Totals .....	1,637,680	1,362,983	15,728,453	18,347,585
Totals, all countries ...	2,076,978	1,824,648	24,212,965	31,850,878

(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

Class and grade	Week ending				
	August 2	August 9	August 16	August 23	August 30
Initial payment to producers					
	cents and eighths per bushel				
1 Northern .....	170	170	170	170	170
2 Northern .....	166	166	166	166	166
3 Northern .....	162	162	162	162	162
4 Northern .....	155	155	155	155	155
5 Wheat .....	141	141	141	141	141
6 Wheat .....	137	137	137	137	137
Feed Wheat .....	133	133	133	133	133
1 C.W. Garnet .....	155	155	155	155	155
2 C.W. Garnet .....	150	150	150	150	150
3 C.W. Garnet .....	145	145	145	145	145
1 Alberta Red Winter .....	154	154	154	154	154
2 Alberta Winter .....	149	149	149	149	149
3 Alberta Winter .....	143	143	143	143	143
1 C.W. Amber Durum .....	170	170	170	170	170
2 C.W. Amber Durum .....	166	166	166	166	166
3 C.W. Amber Durum .....	162	162	162	162	162
International wheat agreement					
and domestic sales					
(Basis in store Fort William -					
Port Arthur)					
1 Northern .....	198/4	198/6	200/4	200/7	200/7
2 Northern .....	193/4	193/6	195/4	195/7	195/7
3 Northern .....	192/4	192/6	194/4	194/7	194/7
4 Northern .....	188/4	188/6	190/4	190/7	190/7
5 Wheat .....	185/4	185/6	187/4	187/7	187/7
6 Wheat .....	182/4	182/6	184/4	184/7	184/7
Feed Wheat .....	178/4	178/6	180/4	180/7	180/7
1 C.W. Garnet .....	188/4	188/6	190/4	190/7	190/7
2 C.W. Garnet .....	187/4	187/6	189/4	189/7	189/7
3 C.W. Garnet .....	186/4	186/6	188/4	188/7	188/7
1 Alberta Red Winter .....	188/4	188/6	190/4	190/7	190/7
2 Alberta Winter .....	187/4	187/6	189/4	189/7	189/7
3 Alberta Winter .....	186/4	186/6	188/4	188/7	188/7
1 C.W. Amber Durum .....	205/4	205/6	206/4	206/4	206/4
2 C.W. Amber Durum .....	203/4	203/6	204/4	204/4	204/4
3 C.W. Amber Durum .....	201/4	201/6	202/4	202/4	202/4
(Basis in store Vancouver)					
1 Northern .....	198/5	198/5	198/5	198/5	198/5
2 Northern .....	194	194	194	194	194
3 Northern .....	193	193	192/7	192/6	192/6
4 Northern .....	190	190	189/7	189/6	189/6
5 Wheat .....	188	188	187/7	187/6	187/6
6 Wheat .....	185	185	184/7	184/6	184/6
Feed Wheat .....	181	181	180/7	180/6	180/6
1 C.W. Garnet .....	190	190	189/7	189/6	189/6
2 C.W. Garnet .....	189	189	188/7	188/6	188/6
3 C.W. Garnet .....	188	188	187/7	187/6	187/6
1 C.W. Amber Durum .....	190	190	189/7	189/6	189/6
2 C.W. Amber Durum .....	189	189	188/7	188/6	188/6
3 C.W. Amber Durum .....	188	188	187/7	187/6	187/6



# CANADIAN FLOUR MILLING SITUATION

Production Wheat flour production by Canadian mills during July 1968 amounted to 3,277,000 hundredweight indicating an increase of 13 per cent above the June 1968 output of 2,891,000 hundredweight, 10 per cent over the July 1967 total of 2,974,000 hundredweight, but 1 per cent less than the ten-year (1958-67) average production for the month of July of 3,305,000 hundredweight. Mills reporting operations during July 1968 had a total rated capacity of 156,000 hundredweight per 24-hour day and on the basis of a 26-day working period 80.6 of this rated capacity was effective.

Wheat milled for flour during July 1968 amounted to 7,375,000 bushels, 13 per cent greater than the 6,529,000 bushels milled during the preceding month and 10 per cent over the 6,708,000 bushels milled during July 1967. Of the wheat milled for flour during July 1968 some 6,421,000 bushels were Western Canadian spring wheat (other than Durum) while the remainder consisted of Ontario winter wheat (584,000 bushels); Durum (287,000 bushels); and all other (84,000 bushels).

Exports According to preliminary Customs returns, exports of Canadian wheat flour during July 1968 amounted to 793,000 hundredweight (some 1,825,000 bushels of wheat equivalent) in sharp contrast to the June 1968 total of 1,359,000 bushels and the adjusted July 1967 exports of 993,000 bushels. Flour shipments during the month went to forty-seven countries with exports to Cuba amounting to 1,096,000 bushels and accounted for 60 per cent of the July total. Other leading markets for Canadian wheat flour in terms of wheat during the month, with shipments in thousands of bushels were as follows: Britain, 182; Jamaica, 84; Syria, 71; Leeward and Windward Islands, 57; United States, 51; and Ghana, 50.

## 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
July .....	7,375,442	3,277,292	793,325
Totals .....	84,385,466	37,583,953	10,527,376
Same months 1966-67 <sup>r</sup> .....	90,084,646	39,978,571	13,848,208

(1) Based on Customs returns. Exports for the crop years 1945-46 - 1966-67 revised to remove effect of time lag in the returns made by Customs.

(2) Subject to revision.

<sup>r</sup> Revised figures.

UNITED STATES SITUATION

Supply Position      Total domestic supplies of wheat in the United States for the 1968-69 crop year are currently placed at 2,143.1 million bushels, 10 per cent more than the previous year's total of 1,949.4 million reflecting increases in both production and carryover stocks. The 537.2 million bushels carried over at July 1, 1968 were 26 per cent above the 1967 stocks, while the current crop, estimated at 1,606.0 million bushels, represents an increase of 5 per cent over last year's outturn of 1,524.3 million. In addition, current crop year domestic supplies may be supplemented by imports of about 1 million bushels. Total disappearance in 1968-69 may be the same or slightly higher than the 1,413 million bushels of last year. Domestic use is expected to rise somewhat, due to increased feeding of wheat.

Exports Below Previous Year      Exports of wheat, wheat flour and other products in terms of grain equivalent during July 1968 amounted to 50.8 million bushels, 15 per cent less than the 60.1 million exported during the same month last year. The balance remaining on August 1 for export and for carryover was estimated at 1,407.4 million bushels compared with 1,237.1 million on the same date a year ago.

United States Wheat Supplies

Item	1967-68 <sup>r</sup>	1968-69 <sup>P</sup>
	million bushels	
Carryover at beginning of crop year (July 1) .....	425.0	537.2
Production .....	1,524.3	1,606.0
Total estimated domestic supplies .....	1,949.4	2,143.1
Imports of wheat and wheat flour in terms of wheat for domestic use, July .....	(1)	0.1
Total estimated supplies(1) .....	1,949.4	2,143.2
Less estimated domestic requirements for crop year(2) ....	652.2	685.0
Available for export and for carryover .....	1,297.2	1,458.2
<u>Deduct</u>		
Exports of wheat as grain, July .....	57.9	46.9
Exports of wheat flour in terms of wheat, July(3) .....	2.1	3.9
Total exports of wheat and wheat flour(4) .....	60.1	50.8
Balance on August 1 for export and for carryover .....	1,237.1	1,407.4

(1) Less than 50,000 bushels.

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

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

(4) Data include shipments for relief.

P Preliminary figures.

r Revised figures.



1968 Crop Forecast at  
1,606 Million Bushels

In a report released on August 9, the Crop Reporting Board of the United States Department of Agriculture stated that production of all wheat was indicated at 1,606 million bushels, 5 per cent above last year's record-high crop and 31 per cent above the 5-year average. The increase of 18 million bushels reflects increases in spring wheat that more than offset a slight decline in winter wheat. Deviation of the August 1 estimate from final production over the past decade has averaged 21 million bushels, ranging from 1 to 60 million bushels. Yield per acre of all wheat averaged 28.7 bushels, a new record-high, exceeding last year by 2.9 bushels and the 1958 record by 1.2 bushels. Grain is expected to be harvested from 56.0 million acres this year compared with 59.0 million last year.

A 1968 winter wheat crop of 1,256 million bushels was indicated on August 1. Harvest was complete in central and southern States and moving along well in northern States. The August estimate declined 10 million bushels from a month earlier. Lower production in many States east of the Mississippi more than offset scattered gains west of the River. This year's winter wheat crop is record-high, exceeding last year's record crop by 4 per cent and the 1962-66 average by 30 per cent. The National average yield per acre reached an all-time high of 29.2 bushels, 2.6 bushels more than last year. Some 43 million acres were harvested this year, 6 per cent less than in 1967 but 17 per cent more than the 5-year average. Production of winter wheat in the Central and lower Great Plains States was well above last year. Improvement from a month earlier was indicated in the Dakotas, while Plains States further south remained unchanged. South Dakota, Nebraska, and Oklahoma harvested their second largest winter wheat crops this year and Texas its third largest. In the Central and Northern States east of the Mississippi, production was not attaining earlier expectations because of delayed harvest and storm damage. In this area the crop was generally smaller than a year ago. In the Western part of the country, Montana and Idaho were harvesting record-high winter wheat crops, and Washington its second largest. In a number of Western States the crop was damaged by late freezes, hail and high temperatures which reduced expected production.

Record-high production of durum wheat is expected — 105 million bushels, 66 per cent above 1967 and 62 per cent above average. The August 1 forecast was 11 per cent above a month earlier. The indicated yield of 29.3 bushels per acre was 6.4 bushels above last year and 1.4 bushels above average. Generally adequate moisture supplies and normal to below normal July temperatures improved prospects. Yields were higher than on July 1 in all States. Harvest was underway in North Dakota where soil moisture supplies were better than average.

Production of spring wheat other than durum is forecast at 246 million bushels, 8 per cent above July 1 but 1 per cent below the 1967 crop. The prospective yield is 26.0 bushels per acre compared with 23.5 last year and the average of 22.7 bushels. Soil moisture was mostly adequate in the major growing areas. Filling of grain was aided by below normal temperatures during much of July. The North Dakota crop was developing a little earlier than a year ago but slightly later than average. Twenty per cent of South Dakota's acreage was harvested compared to a normal of 50 per cent. Rain and wet fields were slowing harvest in Minnesota and causing some lodging. Harvest in Montana was barely underway.

United States Exports of Wheat and Flour(1) by Country of Destination  
July - June 1966-67 and 1967-68

Country of Destination	July - June 1966-67			July - June 1967-68		
	Wheat	Flour(2)	Total	Wheat	Flour(2)	Total
thousand bushels						
<u>Western Hemisphere</u>						
Canada .....	(3)	65	65	(3)	17	17
Mexico .....	2	14	16	33	7	40
Costa Rica .....	390	579	969	1,946	60	2,006
El Salvador .....	1,302	74	1,376	1,783	115	1,898
Guatemala .....	1,904	175	2,079	2,323	245	2,568
Other Central America .....	2,930	676	3,606	3,376	636	4,012
Dominican Republic .....	2,403	138	2,541	3,242	74	3,316
Haiti .....	1,523	27	1,550	906	161	1,067
Jamaica .....	10	1,048	1,058	175	1,010	1,185
Trinidad and Tobago .....	1,977	35	2,012	2,650	1	2,651
Other Bermuda and Caribbean	5	659	664	--	720	720
Bolivia .....	292	7,214	7,506	451	4,320	4,771
Brazil .....	41,718	1,060	42,778	47,489	614	48,103
Chile .....	11,248	686	11,934	4,393	662	5,055
Colombia .....	5,548	251	5,799	4,690	442	5,132
Ecuador .....	1,860	144	2,004	1,990	139	2,129
Guyana .....	--	1,105	1,105	--	992	992
Peru .....	8,268	498	8,766	9,079	460	9,539
Surinam .....	133	373	506	214	331	545
Venezuela .....	17,600	161	17,761	21,852	61	21,913
Other South America .....	1,394	52	1,446	5,058	44	5,102
Totals .....	100,507	15,034	115,541	111,650	11,111	122,761
<u>Western Europe</u>						
<u>EEC</u>						
Belgium and Luxembourg ...	5,872	13	5,885	5,878	3	5,881
France .....	10,332	9	10,341	9,369	3	9,372
Germany, West .....	16,781	6	16,787	12,329	2	12,331
Italy .....	7,677	480	8,157	6,792	11	6,803
Netherlands .....	19,220	733	19,953	20,103	490	20,593
Totals .....	59,882	1,241	61,123	54,471	509	54,980
<u>Other Western Europe</u>						
Iceland .....	5	319	324	--	337	337
Ireland .....	1,425	1	1,426	369	--	369
Norway .....	2,680	16	2,696	1,973	6	1,979
Portugal .....	2,766	83	2,849	--	465	465
Spain .....	669	139	808	--	2	2
Switzerland .....	5,745	--	5,745	2,695	--	2,695
United Kingdom .....	25,561	222	25,783	10,102	87	10,189
Others .....	1,158	457	1,615	953	96	1,049
Totals .....	40,009	1,237	41,246	16,092	993	17,085
<u>Eastern Europe</u>						
Poland .....	5,017	587	5,604	858	649	1,507
Yugoslavia .....	11,617	311	11,928	10,422	45	10,467
Totals .....	16,634	898	17,532	11,280	694	11,974

See footnotes at end of table.



United States Exports of Wheat and Flour(1) by Country of Destination  
July - June 1966-67 and 1967-68 - Concluded

Country of Destination	July - June 1966-67			July - June 1967-68		
	Wheat	Flour(2)	Total	Wheat	Flour(2)	Total
thousand bushels						
<u>Asia</u>						
Afghanistan .....	984	2	986	511	3	514
Ceylon .....	--	3,210	3,210	--	5,382	5,382
Hong Kong .....	687	247	934	1,030	198	1,228
India .....	149,132	175	149,307	211,406	650	212,056
Iran .....	5,713	56	5,769	1	89	90
Israel .....	8,074	112	8,186	8,354	2,878	11,232
Japan .....	78,451	14	78,465	81,715	48	81,763
Jordan .....	2,155	3,390	5,545	258	1,021	1,279
Korea, Republic of .....	27,353	2,639	29,992	30,249	4,815	35,064
Lebanon .....	1,153	1,522	2,675	2,351	2,349	4,700
Malaysia .....	243	39	282	239	21	260
Nansei and Nanpo Islands ...	1,560	419	1,979	1,434	480	1,914
Pakistan .....	40,286	17	40,303	76,387	8	76,395
Philippines .....	17,504	345	17,849	21,919	571	22,490
Republic of China (Taiwan)	11,913	149	12,062	19,173	216	19,389
Saudi Arabia .....	624	4,710	5,334	698	4,872	5,570
Syria .....	3,576	47	3,623	3,102	--	3,102
Turkey .....	18	566	584	785	631	1,416
Vietnam, South .....	--	6,232	6,232	--	5,654	5,654
Others .....	1,475	1,139	2,614	789	799	1,588
Totals .....	350,901	25,030	375,931	460,401	30,685	491,086
<u>Africa</u>						
Algeria .....	27,038	617	27,655	10,154	--	10,154
Congo (Kinshasa) .....	85	2,823	2,908	2	2,423	2,425
Ghana .....	--	1,282	1,282	--	865	865
Morocco .....	19,273	2,249	21,522	19,506	1,540	21,046
Nigeria .....	5,848	55	5,903	3,037	13	3,050
South Africa, Republic of ..	12,523	17	12,540	--	--	--
Sudan .....	1,826	4,233	6,059	--	--	--
Tunisia .....	7,206	349	7,555	9,430	1,042	10,472
United Arab Republic .....	22,169	11,685	33,854	864	34	898
Others .....	2,167	1,154	3,321	1,310	1,206	2,516
Totals .....	98,135	24,464	122,599	44,303	7,123	51,426
Oceania .....	--	110	110	--	113	113
Sub-totals, all countries	666,068	68,014	734,082	698,197	51,228	749,425
Other products(4) .....	9,149	--	9,149	11,573	--	11,573
Totals, all countries ..	675,217	68,014	743,231	709,770	51,228	760,998

(1) Data includes shipments for relief.

(2) Grain equivalent.

(3) Transshipments through Canada have been included in data for countries of ultimate destination.

(4) Includes bulgur wheat (relief and other), rolled wheat for relief, semolina, macaroni and spaghetti products.

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	
August 1, 1968			August 1, 1968	143 1/8 - 186 1/8	
2			2	142 5/8 - 185 5/8	
5			5	141 5/8 - 184 5/8	
6			6	141 5/8 - 186 5/8	
7			7	140 7/8 - 185 7/8	
8			8	141 1/2 - 186 1/2	
9		NA	9	140 1/4 - 185 1/4	
12			12	138 3/4 - 183 3/4	
13			13	141 - 186	
14			14	142 3/8 - 187 3/8	
15			15	145 - 191	
16			16	144 1/2 - 190 1/2	
19	132 1/2 - 155 3/4		19	149 - 193	
20	138 1/2 - 146 1/2		20	145 3/4 - 192 3/4	
21	141 - 145 1/2		21	147 5/8 - 196 5/8	
22	133 1/2 - 154 1/2		22	145 5/8 - 194 5/8	
23	131 1/4 - 153(1)		23	144 5/8 - 193 5/8	
26	140		26	143 5/8 - 192 5/8	
27	130 1/2 - 134 1/2		27	143 3/4 - 192 3/4	
28	133 1/4 - 153 1/4(1)		28	144 1/2 - 193 1/2	
29	129 3/4 - 154 3/4		29	144 3/8 - 193 3/8	
30	130		30	144 3/8 - 194 3/8	

(1) Nominal. N.A. Not available.

Chicago Wheat Futures, High Points of Closing

Date	September	December	March	May	July	September
	cents and eighths per bushel					
August 1, 1968	124/3	130/5	136/5	139/4	140/2	143/2
2	124	130/3	136/3	139/2	139/7	142/6
5	122/2	128/4	134/4	137/4	138/2	141/2
6	121/4	127/7	133/5	136/4	137/4	140/4
7	121/2	127/4	133/3	136/2	137/3	139/6
8	121/6	128	133/6	136/5	137/3	140/4
9	120/5	127	132/6	135/5	136/6	139/4
12	117/2	123/5	129/5	132/4	133/4	136/4
13	118/1	124/6	131	133/6	134/7	137
14	118/5	125/1	131/2	134	135	137/7
15	119/3	125/6	131/4	134/4	135/2	138/4
16	119/1	125/1	131	133/6	134/4	137/2
19	120/2	126/4	132/3	135/2	136	138/5
20	120/1	126/3	132/2	135/2	136	138/6
21	121/3	127/5	133/4	136/6	137	139/4
22	119/2	125/5	131/5	134/5	134/6	137/3
23	118	124/3	130/2	133/2	133/3	136/2
26	117/3	123/5	129/4	132/5	132/6	135/4
27	118	124	129/7	132/6	133/4	136/2
28	118/2	124/3	130/2	133	133/4	136/4
29	117/2	123/5	129/4	132/1	132/2	134/7
30	116/4	122/6	128/6	131/4	131/3	133/7



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 150.9 million for anticipated domestic requirements, an estimated 137.4 million are available for export and for carryover in 1967-68, some 39 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 - July 1968 amounted to 55.7 million bushels, in contrast to the 80.1 million exported during the same eight months in 1966-67. The balance remaining on August 1, 1968 for export and for carryover was estimated at 81.7 million bushels, compared with the August 1, 1967 total of 19.1 million.

Argentine Wheat Supplies

Item	1966-67 <sup>r</sup>	1967-68 <sup>P</sup>
	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	150.9 <sup>r</sup>
Available for export and for carryover .....	99.1	137.4
<u>Deduct</u>		
Exports of wheat as grain, December-July .....	79.7	55.3
Exports of wheat flour in terms of wheat, December - July .....	0.4	0.4
Total exports of wheat and wheat flour .....	80.1	55.7
Balance on August 1 for export and for carryover .....	19.1	81.7

(1) Includes allowances for farm stocks.

<sup>P</sup> Preliminary figures.

<sup>r</sup> Revised figures.

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The sowing of bread wheats was in full swing throughout the country during July and was concluded by early August. Preliminary indications are that the area planted in 1968 will be about 10 per cent smaller than in 1967.

The sowing of Durums began in early August and has not yet been completed. It is estimated that the planted area may be 20 per cent larger than 550,000 to 600,000 hectares (1.4 million to 1.5 million acres) sown last year.

On balance, the area sown to both bread wheats and Durums could fall to about 6 million hectares (14.8 million acres), compared with the 6.6 million hectares (16.3 million acres) planted in 1967 and the government's hope for a planted area of 7 million hectares (17.3 million acres). Early in August, the Minister of Economy, Dr. A. Krieger Vasena, called in farmers to sow more wheat but his urgings came too late to have a significant effect on sowings. Dr. Krieger Vasena also stated that the government is giving grain prices a great deal of attention in its policy of promoting agricultural production.

The wheat that has been planted so far is developing well under good to excellent conditions. The weather has been cold recently and as a result there should be good clustering of the wheats without excessive vegetative growth. If the good weather continues, higher yields could more than compensate for the reduced area.

Hard bread wheat prices in July fell from 1,640 pesos per 100 kilos (\$1.39 per bushel), f.o.r. Buenos Aires, basis No. 1, to 1,600 pesos (\$1.36 per bushel). At Bahia Blanca, exporters paid 1,480 pesos per 100 kilos (\$1.26 per bushel) compared with 1,490 pesos (\$1.27 per bushel) at the beginning of the month. There were no significant export sales and the millers were cautious buyers all the month, as the National Grain Board has sufficient stocks to supply their needs if necessary.

Prices continued to weaken during August and by the 20th had fallen to 1,550 pesos per 100 kilos (\$1.32 per bushel) at Buenos Aires and 1,420 pesos (\$1.21 per bushel) at Bahia Blanca. Also on August 20, selling prices on the Buenos Aires Futures Exchange were 1,582 pesos per 100 kilos (\$1.35 per bushel) for September delivery; 1,603 pesos (\$1.36 per bushel) for October; 1,588 pesos (\$1.35 per bushel) for November and 1,555 pesos (\$1.32 per bushel) for January.

Durum prices at Buenos Aires fell from 2,100 pesos to 2,030 pesos per 100 kilos (\$1.79 to \$1.73 per bushel) early in July and remained at that level for the rest of the month. At Bahia Blanca, Durum prices dropped sharply from 1,970 pesos to 1,850 pesos per 100 kilos (\$1.68 to \$1.57 per bushel). By August 20, Durum prices had fallen to 1,890 and 1,800 pesos per 100 kilos (\$1.61 and \$1.53 per bushel) at Buenos Aires and Bahia Blanca, respectively.

Early in July, Durums from the new crop were sold to Italy, for shipment in January and February, at U\$S 70 per metric ton (\$2.04 per bushel), f.o.b. Necochea. However, a downward tendency set in and by the end of the month U\$S 64 per metric ton (\$1.87 per bushel) was being accepted. It is reported that a considerable tonnage was sold.



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

Destination	June		December - June	
	1967	1968	1966-67	1967-68
thousand bushels				
<u>Western Europe</u>				
<u>EEC</u>				
Belgium .....	-	-	756	176
France .....	-	-	2,505	1,148
Germany, Federal Republic .....	-	-	799	33
Italy .....	-	-	9,006	12,295
Netherlands .....	-	-	6,381	853
Sub-totals .....	-	-	19,447	14,505
<u>Other Western Europe</u>				
Britain .....	-	1,010	7,856	2,618
Denmark .....	-	-	-	16
Norway .....	-	-	498	37
Portugal .....	-	-	1,144	376
Sweden .....	-	-	-	29
Switzerland .....	-	-	375	7
Sub-totals .....	-	1,010	9,873	3,083
Totals .....	-	1,010	29,320	17,588
<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
Totals .....	-	-	565	554
<u>Western Hemisphere</u>				
Bolivia .....	-	135	280	855
Brazil .....	4,435	3,263	31,621	12,856
Chile .....	866	1,084	2,083	2,554
Colombia .....	-	-	1,575	1,521
Paraguay .....	419	184	1,356	1,480
Peru .....	1,898	323	8,838	7,456
Uruguay .....	-	-	-	513
Totals .....	7,618	4,989	45,753	27,235
Totals, all countries ...	7,618	5,998	77,372	45,753

AUSTRALIAN SITUATION

Wheat Supplies  
Decline from Level  
of Previous Year

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 current harvest, now estimated at 277.4 million bushels, is 41 per cent below the previous record of 466.6 million bushels harvested in 1966-67. 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 Below  
Previous Year

Combined exports of wheat as grain and wheat flour in terms of grain equivalent during the period December 1 - July 27 of the current Australian crop year amounted to 140.9 million bushels, 32 per cent less than the 206.9 million exported during the corresponding eight months of the 1966-67 crop year. The balance remaining on July 28, 1968 for export and for carryover, at 113.9 million bushels, was in sharp contrast to the comparable 1967 total of 186.8 million.

Australian Wheat Supplies

Item	1966-67 <sup>r</sup>	1967-68 <sup>P</sup>
	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
Available for export and for carryover .....	393.7	254.8
<u>Deduct</u>		
Exports of wheat as grain, December 1 - July 27 ....	195.2	128.4
Export of wheat flour in terms of wheat, December 1 - July 27 .....	11.7	12.5
Total exports of wheat and wheat flour .....	206.9	140.9
Balance on July 28 for export and for carryover .....	186.8	113.9

<sup>P</sup> Preliminary figures.

<sup>r</sup> Revised figures.



# WHEAT SITUATION IN ITALY

The following account of the current situation in Italy has been extracted from a report by Mr. R. Brookes, Commercial Assistant, Canadian Embassy, Rome, under date of August 14, 1968, and is reproduced with the permission of the Trade Commissioner Service, Department of Trade and Commerce.

Production According to most recent official estimates available, the total 1968 Italian wheat crop is estimated at approximately 9.4 million metric tons (345.4 million bushels) of which 7.9 million metric tons (290.3 million bushels), were bread wheat; and 1.5 million metric tons (55.1 million bushels) were durum. This year's total production represents a decrease of 1.7 per cent from the 1967 crop.

## Production 1967-68

		Final 1967	Estimated 1968	Estimated percentage of increase or decrease %
Total production ....	'000 bushels	351,431	345,387	- 1.7
Wheat, other than durum .....	'000 bushels	257,782	290,272	+ 12
Durum Wheat .....	'000 bushels	93,673	55,115	- 40
Area sown .....	'000 acres	9,909	10,552	+ 6.5
Average Yield .....	bushels per acre	35.5	32.7	- 7

It is reported that the quality of the new crop is reasonably satisfactory.

Wheat stocks At the end of July 1968, stocks available at the wheat pools were reported to be as follows:

	<u>Non-durum</u> thousand bushels	<u>Durum</u> thousand bushels
Voluntary Pools (Federconsorzi) .....	Nil	Nil
Government Support Organization (A.I.M.A.) Pools -		
1966 and 1967 crops .....	25,169	3,123

Reports indicate that deliveries of new crop wheat to the Voluntary Pools (Federconsorzi) by mid-July were approximately:

Non-durum Wheat .....	7,349 bushels
Durum Wheat .....	735 bushels

Farmers delivering their product to these Pools receive immediate payment equal to support prices, and later in the year an adjustment in accordance with current market prices.

Imports For the period July 1, 1967 to June 30, 1968 import certificates for imports of wheat from third countries (and from France), at 1,029,000 metric tons (37,820,000 bushels) were slightly above the eleven-month period of the previous year (July 1, 1966 to May 31, 1967) of 947,900 metric tons (34,829,000 bushels).

Wheat Imports

Product and countries	1966-67	1967-68
	July 1 — May 31	July 1 — June 30
	thousand bushels	
<u>Wheat (except durum) with payment of levy</u>		
France .....	5,961	
Greece .....	184	—
Argentina .....	4,605	212
Canada .....	5,141	476
U.S.A. ....	1,898	2,857
Bulgaria .....	181	—
U.S.S.R. ....	50	3,432
Other countries .....	2	—
Other "free trading" third countries ...	—	9,493
U.S.A. for charitable institutions .....	1,837	—
Totals .....	19,859	16,471
Various countries, free of levy, to replace wheat used in production of exported products .....	71	481
Totals .....	19,929	16,951
<u>Without payment of levy</u>		
France .....		7,055
Totals, wheat (except durum) .....	19,929	24,006
<u>Durum wheat, with payment of levy</u>		
France .....	102	—
Greece .....	68	144
Argentina .....	6,664	1,894
Canada .....	1,575	—
U.S.A. ....	3,348	463
Tunisia .....	227	—
Uruguay .....	96	—
Totals .....	12,080	2,501
Other "free trading" third countries	—	9,681
Totals .....	12,080	12,182



Wheat Imports -- Concluded

Product and countries	1966-67	1967-68
	July 1 -- May 31	July 1 -- June 30
thousand bushels		
Various countries, free of levy, to replace wheat used in production of exported products .....	2,819	1,632
Totals, durum wheat .....	14,900	13,814
Totals, all wheat .....	34,829	37,820

Exports of Flour and Semolina Exports of these products amounting to 220,728 metric tons for the period July 1, 1967 to June 30, 1968 have dropped by more than 50 per cent compared to the period July 1, 1966 to May 31, 1967, of 524,841 metric tons. This drastic decrease in flour and semolina exports is due to the present unfavourable situation as compared to other exporters of the EEC countries, particularly France.

Target, Intervention and Threshold Basic Prices

Marketing year: August 1, 1968-July 31, 1969

	August			September		
	UC(1)	Lire(2)	Canadian(3)	UC(1)	Lire(2)	Canadian(3)
<u>Wheat other than durum</u>						
Target price .....	106.25	66,406	3.11	107.20	67,000	3.13
Intervention price	98.75	61,719	2.89	99.70	63,312	2.96
Threshold price ...	104.38	65,237	3.05	105.33	65,831	3.08
<u>Durum wheat</u>						
Target price .....	125.00	78,125	3.65	126.05	78,781	3.68
Intervention price	117.50	73,437	3.43	118.55	74,094	3.47
Threshold price ...	123.13	76,956	3.60	124.18	77,612	3.62

(1) One unit of account (UC) equals Lire 625.00. (2) Lire per metric ton of 1000 Kilos. (3) Canadian currency dollars per bushel.

These prices are identical to those for the previous marketing year which was for 13 months, i.e., from July 1, 1967 to July 31, 1968.

Levies on Imports  
From Third Countries

On August 7, 1968 import levies on wheat imported from third countries (including Canada) were as follows:

Wheat other than durum ..... Lire 29,613 per metric ton - \$1.39 per bushel  
Durum wheat ..... Lire 29,925 per metric ton - \$1.40 per bushel

Open Market Prices

The following table gives prices of wheat on the open market in Milan, on August 7, 1968:

Prices of Wheat on the Milan Open Market August 7, 1968

(for deliveries in bulk)

Product	Prices	
	Minimum	Maximum
	dollars per bushel	
<u>Wheat</u>		
<u>Domestic — Other than durum</u>		
High grade .....	2.99	3.13
Good mercantile grade .....	2.88	2.95
Mercantile grade .....	2.78	2.83
<u>Domestic — Durum</u>		
Good mercantile grade .....	3.88	4.02
<u>Foreign wheat</u>		
Manitoba (Atlantic No. 1) .....	3.88	3.93
Plata (Argentina) (July 24, 1968) .....	3.74	3.79
Hard Winter (No. 2 U.S.A.) .....		(not quoted)
French .....		(not quoted)

Outlook for  
Canadian Products

As indicated at the beginning of this report, Italy's 1967-68 total wheat crop is expected to be approximately between 9.4 and 9.5 million metric tons (345.4 million to 349.1 million bushels) of which 7.9 million tons (290.3 million bushels) non-durum compared with last year's 7.02 million tons (257.9 million bushels) and 1.5 million tons (55.1 million bushels) of durum compared with 2.55 million tons (9.4 million bushels) last year.



With regard to non-durum wheat, this year's increased production coupled with current carryover stocks estimated at 1.2 million metric tons (44.1 million bushels), there appears to be an approximate surplus of 550,000 tons (20.2 million bushels) of which 400,000 tons (14.2 million bushels) is expected to be exported and 150,000 tons (5.5 million bushels) used as cattle feed, in order to avoid an excess in availabilities which might endanger the balance of the market.

With respect to durum wheat, the 1967-68 crop is about 600 metric tons (22.0 million bushels) lower than last year due to severe drought in Italy's durum wheat growing areas of Apulia, Molise Basilicata and Sicily where production was down by 50 per cent from last year. In view of this, it is estimated that Italy will require to import between 1.2 and 1.5 million metric tons (44.1 million and 55.1 million bushels) of durum wheat to fill the gap until next year's crop.

#### CALENDAR OF WHEAT EVENTS

- August      9      A report published by the Crop Reporting Board, United States Department of Agriculture, indicates that all wheat production, in the United States in 1968, was forecast at 1,606 million bushels, 5 per cent above last year's record-high crop and 31 per cent larger than the 5-year average.
- 21      According to a report from Mr. S.E. Kidd, Assistant Commercial Secretary (Agriculture) for Canada, Buenos Aires, the wheat that has been planted so far is developing well under good to excellent conditions. The weather has been cold recently and as a result there should be good clustering of the wheats without excessive vegetative growth. If the good weather continues, higher yields could more than compensate for the reduced area.
- September   3      The United States Department of Agriculture announced in part that a modification of its discount schedule for "sample" grade wheat in its 1968-crop price-support loan and purchase program. This action is taken to prevent undue economic loss to producers as a result of damaged grain being heavily discounted in the markets, particularly in Idaho where weather has caused sprout damage.
- 4      According to the Bureau of the Census, United States Department of Commerce, wheat flour production in the United States in July 1968, was 20,501,000 hundredweight compared with 19,678,000 hundredweight the previous month and 19,083,000 hundredweight for July 1967. Flour mills in July ground 45,980,000 bushels of wheat compared with 44,119,000 bushels in the previous month and 42,817,000 bushels at the same month a year ago.
- 4      Based on conditions at August 15, Canada's 1968 wheat crop was forecast at 649.6 million bushels, 10 per cent larger than last year's 592.9 million, and 20 per cent above the 10-year (1957-66) average of 540.4 million. Average yields increased from 19.7 bushels in 1967 to 22.1 bushels per acre this year.













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