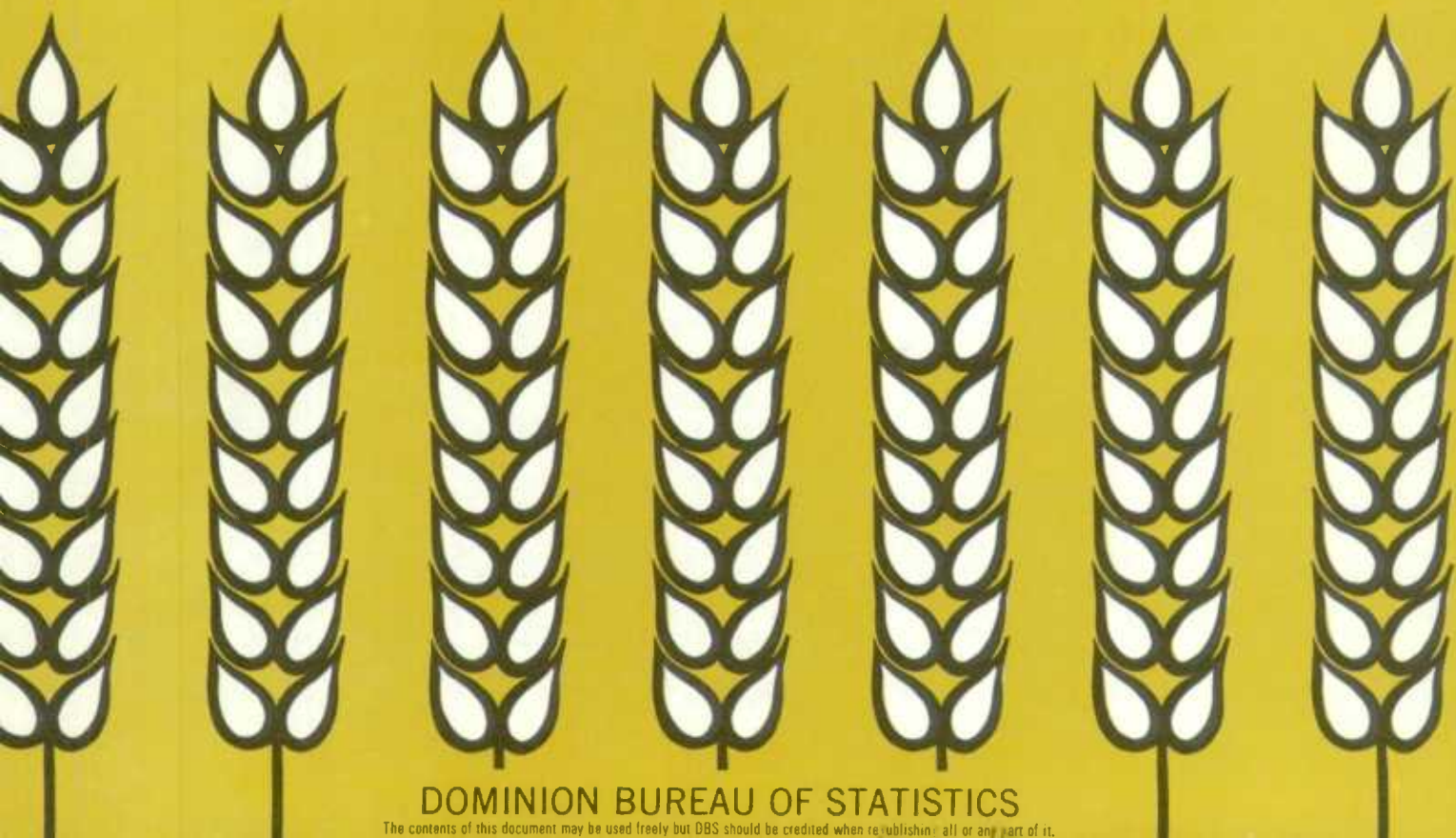


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WORLD WHEAT SITUATION

Crop Year Shipments Increase Over Year Ago

Total shipments of wheat and flour in terms of wheat, from Canada, Australia, United States and Argentina amounted to some 1,310.7 million bushels during the 1969-70 crop year (August-July) some 15 per cent more than the 1968-69 level of 1,144.0 million, but 7 per cent below the ten-year (1958-59 - 1967-68) average of 1,415.5 million. With the exception of Argentina each of the remaining countries registered higher exports this crop year than last. Shipments from the four traditional major exporters during the 1969-70 crop year, with comparisons, appear in the accompanying table.

Exports of Wheat and Flour in Terms of Wheat, August-July 1969-70 with comparisons

August - July	Canada	Australia	United States	Argentina	Total	France
million bushels						
1950-51	241.0	127.8	375.3	94.5	838.6	
1951-52	355.8	93.4	466.6	24.1	939.9	
1952-53	385.5	107.0	322.6	38.9	854.0	
1953-54	255.1	63.4	211.4	110.3	640.2	
1954-55	251.9	94.3	280.4	134.5	761.1	
1955-56	312.3	107.5	359.4	108.6	887.8	
1956-57	264.4	120.2	539.5	100.6	1,024.7	
1957-58	320.3	61.9	396.4	77.6	856.2	
1958-59	294.5	82.7	455.6	106.2	939.0	
1959-60	277.3	117.8	513.1	76.5	984.7	
1960-61	353.2	198.0	677.5	62.9	1,291.6	
1961-62	358.0	219.8	704.2	95.5	1,377.5	
1962-63	331.4	186.2	650.6	60.7	1,228.9	
1963-64	594.5	274.0	852.3	106.5	1,827.3	
1964-65	399.6	245.1	736.9	174.3	1,555.9	
1965-66	584.9	193.3	868.6	280.7	1,927.5	
1966-67	515.3	264.0	732.7	101.2	1,613.2	111.0
1967-68	336.0	247.4	755.9	70.5	1,409.8	155.4
1968-69 ^r	305.8	210.8	535.8	91.6	1,144.0	211.4
1969-70 ^p	346.6	272.5	608.5	83.1	1,310.7	197.0(1)

(1) August-June only.

^p Preliminary figures.

^r Revised figures.

Year-end Supplies Highest on Record

At the close of the Canadian crop year (July 31), total supplies of wheat remaining in Canada, Australia, United States and Argentina, for export and for carryover at the end

of their respective crop years, amounted to a record 2,916.9 million bushels. These supplies were 4 per cent more than the next-to-record 2,804.5 million in 1959-60 and 9 per cent above the 2,681.8 million at the same time a year ago. During 1969-70 increases were registered in each of the four major exporting countries over a year ago. Supplies on or about August 1, 1970, in millions of bushels, were held as follows, with last year's comparable figures in brackets: Canada, 1,011.0 (851.8); Australia, 398.2 (362.6); United States, 1,441.4 (1,440.2); and Argentina, 66.3 (27.2). Estimates for both years include on-farm stocks as well as those in commercial positions. It is to be noted that the 1970 United States crop estimated at 1,357 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 1970-71 will be included at January 1.

CANADIAN SITUATION

Supplies and Domestic Use Set New Records

Total supplies of Canadian wheat in the crop year 1969-70 totalled a record 1,536.1 million bushels, reflecting increases in both opening stocks and production. Stocks at the beginning of the year reached a new peak of 851.8 million bushels and sharply surpassed the 1968 level of 665.5 million. The 1969 crop, at 684.3 million bushels, was 5 per cent greater than the level of the previous year and the highest since 827.3 million were produced in 1966.

Exports of wheat and flour in terms of wheat increased to 346.6 million bushels compared with 305.8 million in 1968-69. Domestic use of wheat in Canada set a new record in 1969-70, reaching a level of 178.4 million bushels. This upswing was almost entirely due to a substantial increase in the use of wheat for feeding purposes particularly in Eastern Canada. Seed use, in keeping with the sharp decline in acreage in 1970, was only about half the amount used in the previous year while quantities used as human food and for industrial use showed little change.

Despite the increases in both exports and domestic requirements, the impact of record total supplies resulted in carryover stocks reaching an all-time high of 1,011.0 million bushels.

Total Supply and Disposition of Canadian Wheat 1965-66 - 1969-70 (Crop Years August 1 - July 31)

Item	1965-66	1966-67	1967-68	1968-69 ^r	1969-70(1)
million bushels					
<u>Supplies</u>					
Carryover, at beginning of crop year	513.0	420.1	576.8	665.5	851.8
Production	649.4	827.3	592.9	649.8	684.3
Totals(2)	1,162.4	1,247.5	1,169.7	1,315.4	1,536.1
<u>Disposition</u>					
Exports wheat and flour	584.9	515.3	336.0	305.8	346.6
Human consumption ...	60.9	59.0	60.5	61.4	60.8(3)
Seed	42.0	40.4	39.4	33.4	16.8(3)
Industrial use	1.9	2.3	2.4	1.1	1.5(3)
Carryover, at end of crop year	420.1	576.8	665.5	851.8	1,011.0
Residual item(4)	52.6	53.8	65.9	61.7	99.4
Totals	1,162.4	1,247.5	1,169.7	1,315.4	1,536.1

(1) Subject to further revision pending receipt of Board of Grain Commissioners' final data on commercial stocks at July 31, 1970.

(2) Includes small amounts of imports.

(3) Estimated.

(4) Includes feed for livestock and waste but also reflects the effect of any estimating errors in other components of the balance sheet.

1969-70 Crop Year According to preliminary data, combined exports of wheat in
Exports Above bulk, seed wheat and wheat flour in terms of wheat equivalent
Previous Year in the crop year 1969-70 amounted to 346.6 million bushels, an
 increase of 13 per cent over the previous year's total of 305.8
 million bushels but 14 per cent below the ten-year (1958-59 - 1967-68) average exports
 of 404.5 million bushels.

Exports of wheat in bulk (as reported by the Board of Grain Commissioners for Canada) amounted to 317.7 million bushels, some 13 per cent more than the 280.5 million shipped in 1968-69 but was 13 per cent lower than the ten-year average of 366.4 million. Exports of seed wheat, based on preliminary Customs data amounted to 1.9 million bushels compared with the 1968-69 adjusted figure of 0.7 million. Wheat flour exports, based on preliminary data, were the equivalent of 27.0 million bushels, ten per cent above the adjusted 24.6 million cleared during 1968-69 but 23 per cent less than the ten-year average of 35.0 million.

The 1969-70 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 1969-70 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 low of 15.3 million bushels in August 1969 to a high of 46.1 million in July 1970. Overseas clearances of bulk wheat, the major component of the total exports of wheat, seed wheat and flour, ranged between 13.0 million bushels in August and 44.0 million in July.

The People's Republic of China was the major market for Canadian wheat with purchases of 65.1 million bushels and accounted for 20 per cent of the 1969-70 crop year total. Britain remained in second place with imports of 51.3 million and accounted for 16 per cent of the crop year total. Other principal markets during the 1969-70 crop year with quantities in millions of bushels, with the 1968-69 figures in brackets were as follows: U.S.S.R. (Russia), 47.3 (1.7); Japan, 39.0 (43.3); India, 16.5 (15.3); Italy, 12.1 (15.2); Federal Republic of Germany, 9.5 (12.8); Belgium and Luxembourg, 9.2 (7.5); and the Netherlands, 8.9 (5.8).

Initial Payment Prices The Canadian Wheat Board in its Instructions to the
Wheat, Oats and Barley Trade No. 8 under date of July 29, 1970 announced that
1970-71 Crop Year The Canadian Wheat Board Regulations, 1970-71, provide
 for the following initial payments effective from
 August 1, 1970 to July 31, 1971:

- | | | |
|---------------|----|--|
| <u>Wheat</u> | -- | One dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) per bushel basis the grade No. One Northern in store Thunder Bay or Vancouver. |
| <u>Oats</u> | -- | Sixty cents (60¢) per bushel basis the grade No. 2 Canada Western in store Thunder Bay. |
| <u>Barley</u> | -- | Ninety-one cents (91¢) per bushel basis the grade No. 3 Canada Western Six-Row in store Thunder Bay. |

Delivery Quotas The Canadian Wheat Board in its Instructions to the Trade re Quotas (General) No. 1 under date of July 29, 1970 stated that the Board wishes to advise that all delivery quotas in effect in the 1969-70 crop year, including open quotas, supplementary quotas, special permits, etc., will automatically expire as at the close of business July 31, 1970. As indicated in Instructions to the Trade No. 38 issued May 1, 1970, there will not be a unit quota nor will there be a general specified acreage quota during the 1970-71 crop year as in previous years.

Effective on and after August 1, 1970, the Board's quota policy for the 1970-71 crop year will be as indicated below.

Separate quotas, providing for the delivery of the kinds and grades of grain needed to meet market requirements will be established by the Board for Wheat (other than Soft White Spring), Oats, Barley, Rye, Flaxseed, Rapeseed, and Soft White Spring Wheat, and will be based on the producer's quota acres as shown in his 1970-71 delivery permit book.

Wheat (other than Soft White Spring wheat). — Quotas will be established for wheat (other than Soft White Spring) as wheat is needed to meet market requirements and as soon as the grain handling and transportation system has returned to a more fluid position.

Oats. — Quotas will be established for oats as oats are needed to meet market requirements and as soon as the grain handling and transportation system has returned to a more fluid position.

Due to the limited quantity of old crop quality oats and pending the new crop, effective August 1 through to September 15, 1970, the Board will consider applications on behalf of producers of selected oats suitable for milling or other purposes for permission to deliver, in excess of the established quota, one carlot or a maximum of 3,000 bushels of Extra No. 1 Feed or higher grades of oats, with a maximum dockage of 2 per cent, provided:

- (a) a representative sample of such carlot has been submitted to and accepted by a mill or plant located in the designated area, suitable for their purpose; and
- (b) a premium is to be paid to the producer for the carlot of oats so accepted.

Full details covering the foregoing provisions are outlined in Instructions to the Trade re Quotas (General) No. 2 of July 29, 1970.

Barley. — Quotas will be established for barley as barley is needed to meet market requirements and as soon as the grain handling and transportation system has returned to a more fluid position.

Malting, Pot and Pearling Barley Effective August 1, the Board will consider applications on behalf of producers of malting, pot and/or pearling barley, for permission to deliver, in excess of the established quota, one carlot (maximum 2,500 bushels) of such barley provided:

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

Full details covering the foregoing provisions are outlined in Instructions to the Trade re Quotas (General) No. 3 of July 29, 1970.

Soft White Spring wheat. — Effective August 1, at all delivery points within the designated area a quota of five (5) bushels per quota acre of Soft White Spring wheat as shown in the individual producer's permit book.

All deliveries made under this quota must be properly recorded in the producer's permit book on Page 9, and delivery must be confined to the producer's primary or alternate delivery point indicated therein.

Rye. — Effective August 1, at all delivery points within the designated area a quota of five (5) bushels per quota acre of rye as shown in the individual producer's permit book.

All deliveries made under this quota must be properly recorded in the producer's permit book on Page 8, and delivery must be confined to the producer's primary or alternate delivery point indicated therein.

Flaxseed. — Effective August 1, at all delivery points within the designated area a quota of three (3) bushels per quota acre of flaxseed as shown in the individual producer's permit book.

All deliveries made under this quota must be properly recorded in the producer's permit book on Page 10 and as in the previous crop year, producers may deliver flaxseed within existing quotas to any delivery point selected by them at which elevator space for flaxseed is available.

Rapeseed. — Effective August 1, at all delivery points within the designated area a quota of three (3) bushels per quota acre of rapeseed as shown in the individual producer's permit book.

All deliveries made under this quota must be properly recorded in the producer's permit book on Page 11 and as in the previous crop year, producers may deliver rapeseed within existing quotas to any delivery point selected by them at which elevator space for rapeseed is available.

Opening Quotas
Announced for Wheat,
Oats and Barley

On August 18, 1970 the Canadian Wheat Board announced the first delivery quotas on wheat, oats and barley for the 1970-71 crop year.

As announced last month in Ottawa by W.C. McNamara, Chief Commissioner of the Wheat Board, the quotas, established under the new quota policies in effect this crop year, will encourage producers to deliver the kind of grain needed to meet sales commitments.

Unlike previous years when quotas were announced for specific delivery stations, delivery quotas this crop year will generally be based on the Blocks established

under the new shipping system for Prairie grain. A total of 48 blocks have been set up under this system and quotas for all points will be established on a block basis.

The new quotas, effective on Monday, August 24, 1970, are as follows:

Wheat — An advance quota of two bushels per "quota acre" on wheat grading No. 4 Northern or lower, including Garnets and Alberta Red Winter, in 42 of the 48 blocks. The exceptions are the La Riviere, Pasqua, Bulyea, Saskatoon CPR, Saskatoon South, and Assiniboia blocks in Manitoba and Saskatchewan where space is not available. Shipping priority is being given to these blocks at the present time.

Oats — A delivery quota of five bushels per quota acre at points within the following blocks: Winnipeg North, Winnipeg South, Winnipeg West, Brandon North, Melville, Dauphin, Saskatoon West, Regina North, Regina South, Regina West, Keewatin, Carberry, Brandon, Weyburn, Bredenbury and Wilkie.

Barley — A delivery quota of three bushels per quota acre for all blocks in the province of Alberta.

The advance quota for lower grades of wheat is being established at this time to encourage delivery of the low-grade wheat urgently needed to meet early sales commitments. As an advance, deliveries by producers under this quota will be applied against regular wheat quotas as these are announced later.

All delivery quotas on wheat in the present crop year will be based on acreage assigned by producers to delivery of wheat in their 1970-71 permit books as provided for under the federal government's Wheat Inventory Reduction Program and the Wheat Board 1970-71 quota policies.

Delivery quotas on barley are being confined to Alberta at this time. Alberta was not included in the supplementary quota on barley which was in effect during the final 10 weeks of the 1969-70 crop year and the new quota will give producers in that province an early opportunity to deliver additional quantities of barley.

Changes in Prairie Grain
Cash Advance Program
Outlined

Changes in the federal government's cash advance program for Prairie grain producers were outlined on August 7, 1970 by Mr. Gordon Earl, Executive Director of the Canadian Wheat Board, following a meeting with representatives of country elevator companies.

The program, administered by the Canadian Wheat Board, enables Prairie producers to obtain interest-free cash advances on farm-stored grain through local country elevator managers.

The advances are repaid by producers when delivering grain to country elevators. One half of the payment received by a producer when delivering grain is deducted from his cash ticket and applied against an outstanding advance.

The objective of the federal program is to make cash available in advance of grain deliveries by producers during a crop year, Mr. Earl said. Farmers with advances which were not fully repaid on July 31 will be required to repay one half of the outstanding amount before obtaining a new cash advance. This repayment can be made with a deduction from a new advance.

The total amount a producer can have outstanding under the cash advance program will be limited to \$6,000 in the 1970-71 crop year. This maximum includes any amount still outstanding from previous advances and limits the amount of any additional advance a producer may wish to obtain.

Cash advances will again be issued only for the three Board grains; wheat, oats and barley.

The Canadian Wheat Board's 1970-71 quota policies, amended to conform with the provisions of the federal government's Wheat Inventory Reduction Program, have resulted in other changes in the cash advance program. As outlined by Mr. Earl, these are as follows:

- Advances on wheat will be based on those acres qualifying for quotas under the 1970-71 regulations. These quotas will be based largely on a producer's summerfallow acreage plus 25 per cent of any land summerfallowed in 1969.
- Advances on oats and barley will be based on the acreage seeded to these crops plus any portion of his assignable acreage a producer has allocated to these crops for quota purposes.

As stated in the Prairie Grain Advance Payments Act, advances are set at one dollar per bushel on wheat, 40 cents per bushel on oats and 70 cents per bushel on barley with a maximum, for all grains, of six bushels per acre.

Weather and Crops A Telegraphic Crop Report, published by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics on August 26, 1970 summarized crop conditions in the Prairie Provinces as follows:

Swathing is general in the central Interlake and western districts of Manitoba. Barley crops are light in weight, yielding 30 to 40 bushels per acre and rapeseed is yielding about 20 bushels per acre. Hot, dry weather and rust has affected yields but prospects are still good as recent showers and cooler weather have improved conditions. Late crops, particularly in the Red River Valley, need more rain and a few more weeks to mature. Sunflower and buckwheat crops look very promising. Frost damage has been light and second-cut hay crops are below average.

Harvesting is now well under way in many districts in Saskatchewan and swathing has become general. Crops ripened rapidly and are reaching maturity owing to the previous hot, dry weather. Crop development is normal for this time of year and is rated very uniform across the province. Approximately 10 per cent of the rape and barley has been combined, and combining of wheat is common in the extreme southwest of the province, with scattered fields harvested elsewhere. Our correspondent reports that average yields are currently running 25 bushels per acre for wheat, 50 bushels for oats, 40 bushels for barley, flax at 18, rapeseed at 23, and mustard seed at 1,075 pounds per acre. Weather continues hot and dry throughout the province and surface soil has dried out completely in many areas. The first frost on August 20 did very little damage, and, apart from some shrivelling of kernels due to intense heat, most grains will have good weight.

Generally favourable weather conditions prevail as Alberta farmers start the 1970 harvest. The hot, dry weather in recent weeks has ripened crops quickly and is bringing them rapidly to maturity. Indications now are that the harvest will be

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Preliminary Estimates
of Specified Crop and
Summerfallow Acreages
1970

The acreage estimates for 1970 are, with some exceptions, based on returns from the Dominion Bureau of Statistics' annual June survey of seeded acreages and have been made in consultation with the officials responsible for agricultural statistics in each of the provinces. Current

estimates are subject to revision in the light of further information received during the season and when marketing and other check data become available after the end of the crop year.

Preliminary Estimates of Crop and Summerfallow Acreages, 1970
with Comparisons — Canada(1)

Crops	1969	1970	1970 as % of 1969
	acres		per cent
Winter wheat	360,000	355,000	99
Spring wheat(2)	24,607,700	12,129,000	49
All wheat	24,967,700	12,484,000	50
Oats for grain(3)	8,825,000	8,389,000	95
Barley	9,535,100	10,042,900	105
Fall rye(4)	821,300	875,700	107
Spring rye	106,000	139,000	131
All rye	927,300	1,014,700	109
Corn for grain	978,000	1,190,000	122
Mixed grain	1,740,300	1,939,800	111
Flaxseed	2,440,700	3,518,300	144
Rapeseed	2,012,000	3,950,000	196
Soybeans	322,000	335,000	104
Summerfallow	28,800,000	36,900,000	128

- (1) In some provinces the area seeded to certain crops is too small to permit reliable annual estimates. Acreages in such crops have not been included in the totals for Canada.
- (2) Includes relatively small acreages of winter wheat in all provinces other than Ontario.
- (3) Includes oats for grain and for hay in the Prairie Provinces.
- (4) Includes small acreages of spring rye in Quebec, Ontario and British Columbia.

Total wheat acreage in Canada in 1970, estimated at 12.5 million acres, is 50 per cent smaller than last year's 25.0 million. In the Prairie Provinces, where most of Canada's wheat is grown, acreage is estimated at 12.0 million, a decrease of 51 per cent from last year's 24.4 million.

The area seeded to oats in Canada in 1970 is estimated at 8.4 million acres, 5 per cent lower than that of 1969 and 17 per cent smaller than the ten-year average area of 10.1 million acres. In the Prairie Provinces the oats acreage at 6.5 million acres, is 4 per cent smaller than that of 1969. Canadian barley acreage for 1970 at record 10.0 million acres increased 5 per cent from the 1969 level of 9.5 million and 48 per cent above the ten-year average of 6.8 million. Barley acreage in the Prairies is placed at 9.5 million up 6 per cent from the 1969 level.

Rye acreage at 1,014,700 is 9 per cent above the 1969 level and 54 per cent above the 10-year (1959-68) average. Fall seedings of rye were up 7 per cent and spring rye acreage increased by 31 per cent. The greater part of Canada's rye is grown in the Prairie Provinces where the 1970 acreage is estimated at 944,000 acres as compared with 859,000 in 1969.

Carryover Stocks
of Canadian Grain
at July 31, 1970

Total carryover stocks of the six major Canadian grains in all North American positions at July 31, 1970 were estimated at 1,375.1 million bushels, 15 per cent above last year's revised total 1,198.5 million. With the exception of rapeseed each of the other five grains registered increases over the previous year. Total stocks of wheat were estimated at 1,011.0 million bushels, 19 per cent above last year's revised estimate of 851.8 million. Stocks of oats in all positions estimated at 142.3 million bushels, were 11 per cent larger than last year's 128.7 million. Barley stocks, at 201.8 million bushels, increased by one per cent over the 199.4 million held in 1969. Carryover stocks of rye in all positions, estimated at 10.7 million bushels, were also above last year's 8.7 million. July-end carryover stocks of flaxseed at 5.8 million bushels, were 18 per cent more than the previous year's 4.9 million but rapeseed, at 3.7 million decreased by 28 per cent from last year's figure of 5.1 million.

Stocks of Canadian Grain at July 31, 1970

Position	Wheat	Oats	Barley	Rye	Flaxseed	Rapeseed
thousand bushels						
<u>In Canada</u>						
On farms	542,700	123,000	122,000	4,700	600	150
Country elevators(1)	289,152	9,554	39,030	2,229	2,719	1,149
Interior private and mill elevators	4,717	601	85	25	29	134
Interior terminal elevators	12,958	8	2,569	2	—	14
Vancouver - New Westminster	11,004	—	2,629	394	456	1,506
Victoria elevator	400	—	—	—	—	—
Prince Rupert elevators	1,399	1	1	—	—	—
Churchill elevator	4,120	35	—	—	—	—
Thunder Bay elevators	43,118	2,811	14,635	2,037	992	270
In transit rail:						
Western division(1)	37,155	3,318	11,318	518	521	435
Eastern division	832	—	—	—	—	—
In transit lake	7,471	855	4,668	—	84	—
Eastern elevators	53,136	1,962	4,856	482	412	2
Eastern mills(1)	2,630	186	—	—	—	—
Western mills(1)	250	8	5	18	—	—
Totals in Canada(1)	1,011,042	142,339	201,796	10,405	5,813	3,660
In United States	—	—	—	315	—	—
Totals, Canadian grain in Canada and United States, July 31, 1970(1) ...	1,011,042	142,339	201,796	10,720	5,813	3,660
<u>Comparative stocks, July 31, 1969^r</u>						
In Canada	851,828	128,657	199,383	8,673	4,909	5,069
In United States	—	—	—	—	—	—
Totals in Canada and United States	851,828	128,657	199,383	8,673	4,909	5,069

(1) Preliminary revised — subject to further revision.

^r Revised figures.

In the Prairie Provinces farm-held stocks of wheat, oats, barley, rye, flaxseed and rapeseed at July 31, 1970 amounted to 766.4 million bushels, an increase of 30 per cent over the July-end 1969 total of 590.5 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, 1970 and 1969

Province	Wheat	Oats	Barley	Rye	Flaxseed	Rapeseed
thousand bushels						
Manitoba	40,000	30,000	9,000	700	150	25
Saskatchewan	400,000	40,000	32,000	3,200	300	75
Alberta	100,000	36,000	74,000	800	150	50
Totals, July 31, 1970	540,000	106,000	115,000	4,700	600	150
Totals, July 31, 1969	370,000	80,000	134,000	5,000	800	700

Canadian Wheat Preliminary estimates place total stocks of Canadian wheat in all North American
Carryover positions at July 31, 1970 at an all-time high of 1,011.0 million bushels, 19 per cent
1939-70 above last year's revised record of 851.8 million. An estimated 542.7 million
bushels of this year's total were held on farms, while 289.2 million of the off-farm
stocks were in country elevators. The next largest amounts, 53.1 million and 43.1 million bushels,
were in store in Eastern elevators and Thunder Bay terminals, 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 prior to 1940-41 when they were included for the first time. The carry-
over 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, 1939-70

Year	Carryover of wheat in Canada	Stocks of Canadian wheat in U.S. positions	Total carryover of Canadian wheat in Canada and U.S.
		thousand bushels	
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
1947	86,055	87	86,141
1948	77,676	35	77,710
10-year average 1939-48	261,398	13,997	275,395
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
1957	733,335	211	733,546
1958	648,454	—	648,454
10-year average 1949-58	411,468	650	412,117
1959	587,842	159	588,001
1960	599,588	—	599,588
1961	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
1967	576,751	—	576,751
1968	665,510	—	665,510
10-year average 1959-68	530,892	16	530,908
1969 ^r	851,828	—	851,828
1970 ^p	1,011,042	—	1,011,042

^p Preliminary figures.

^r Revised figures.

Farmers' Marketings (1) of Wheat in the Prairie Provinces 1969-70

Week ending		Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	Total	Last year ^r
bushels						
August	6, 1969	—	64,196	—	64,196	356,687
	13	18,143	194,594	8,459	221,196	506,692
	20	57,997	466,356	552,473	1,076,826	2,054,527
	27	440,791	1,693,171	657,276	2,791,238	2,740,850
September	3	379,366	2,728,975	1,085,227	4,193,568	3,414,108
	10	304,101	4,374,050	1,188,274	5,866,425	2,494,299
	17	438,786	6,733,978	1,300,186	8,472,950	7,476,468
	24	412,387	5,845,630	899,106	7,157,123	7,019,249
October	1	280,465	2,801,798	718,730	3,800,993	5,898,564
	8	283,252	1,439,062	830,719	2,553,033	11,215,951
	15	273,007	1,055,557	783,999	2,112,563	7,769,426
	22	112,287	1,906,251	592,955	2,611,493	6,756,032
	29	143,049	2,682,424	730,696	3,556,169	10,078,137
November	5	205,791	2,209,205	732,405	3,147,401	13,342,187
	12	156,692	2,068,665	833,016	3,058,373	15,682,790
	19	273,042	1,986,452	863,346	3,122,840	13,243,981
	26	457,162	2,052,724	720,962	3,230,848	9,915,500
December	3	389,757	2,127,178	875,998	3,392,933	9,242,640
	10	404,960	1,805,857	963,249	3,174,066	6,544,784
	17	491,749	1,881,209	935,918	3,308,876	5,773,106
	22	703,608	4,128,964	1,202,402	6,034,974	5,892,350
	29	492,693	3,750,992	1,099,484	5,343,169	3,229,059
January	7, 1970	675,907	6,194,908	1,260,193	8,131,008	4,682,742
	14	1,019,434	405,299	949,753	2,374,486	2,827,944
	21	790,651	1,284,634	1,351,650	3,426,935	2,727,042
	28	1,263,267	5,460,421	4,019,093	10,742,781	1,682,468
February	4	1,038,008	4,170,545	3,341,895	8,550,448	1,424,056
	11	626,515	3,376,214	2,185,069	6,187,798	5,897,474
	18	798,024	3,245,078	2,222,884	6,265,986	6,082,116
	25	827,134	2,997,246	1,194,830	5,019,210	6,917,310
March	4	1,741,488	7,322,076	2,262,679	11,326,243	5,848,923
	11	798,639	3,221,531	1,596,188	5,616,358	8,596,035
	18	1,062,813	4,854,702	1,920,555	7,838,070	8,242,536
	25	1,289,480	5,399,480	2,370,046	9,059,006	8,659,049
April	1	898,597	3,247,402	1,433,292	5,579,291	6,587,108
	8	802,100	3,123,004	1,917,156	5,842,260	4,825,896
	15	891,584	2,028,856	1,465,696	4,386,136	4,006,041
	22	615,632	2,624,670	1,411,563	4,651,865	7,123,508
	29	591,559	3,638,959	2,661,250	6,891,768	9,722,588
May	6	790,473	7,447,543	3,637,718	11,875,734	7,582,633
	13	2,149,658	10,035,962	3,350,602	15,536,222	5,235,397
	20	643,931	3,994,221	1,839,916	6,478,068	4,576,351
	27	1,611,094	4,747,390	966,053	7,324,537	4,765,853
June	3	1,441,001	6,582,499	1,488,900	9,512,400	10,326,322
	10	726,797	7,364,700	2,143,374	10,234,871	13,741,399
	17	1,412,797	6,150,779	3,485,426	11,049,002	15,160,290
	24	2,369,292	7,531,618	3,139,198	13,040,108	13,891,012
	30	2,026,415	9,600,763	3,637,649	15,264,827	10,209,841
July	8	2,668,508	8,604,250	4,460,578	15,733,336	9,899,666
	15	2,238,690	10,178,753	4,880,732	17,298,175	13,639,866
	22	2,536,329	11,971,213	5,339,751	19,847,293	18,895,432
	31	8,899,629	45,720,898	13,758,792	68,379,319	48,736,565
Totals		51,964,531	256,522,902	103,267,361	411,754,794	423,160,850
Average similar period:						
1958-59 — 1967-68		56,854,354	303,067,171	112,918,526	472,840,050	

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

Visible Supply of Canadian Wheat, August 12, 1970
Compared with Approximately the Same Date, 1968 and 1969

Position	1968	1969	1970
	thousand bushels		
Country elevators — Manitoba	35,440	34,794	35,159
Saskatchewan	147,571	166,715	166,627
Alberta	70,458	81,966	82,894
Sub-totals	253,469	283,475	284,680
Interior private and mill	5,030	4,217	4,325
Interior terminals	13,703	12,503	12,564
Vancouver-New Westminster	8,754	12,186	10,549
Victoria	838	824	701
Prince Rupert	817	1,570	668
Churchill	3,089	3,102	4,542
Thunder Bay	63,026	54,797	43,814
In transit rail (western division)	21,978	28,117	21,553
Bay, Lake and Upper St. Lawrence ports.	27,090	35,883	31,501
Lower St. Lawrence and Maritime ports .	16,826	38,630	28,395
In transit lake	—	1,481	9,697
In transit rail (eastern division)	251	—	611
Totals	414,871	476,785	453,600

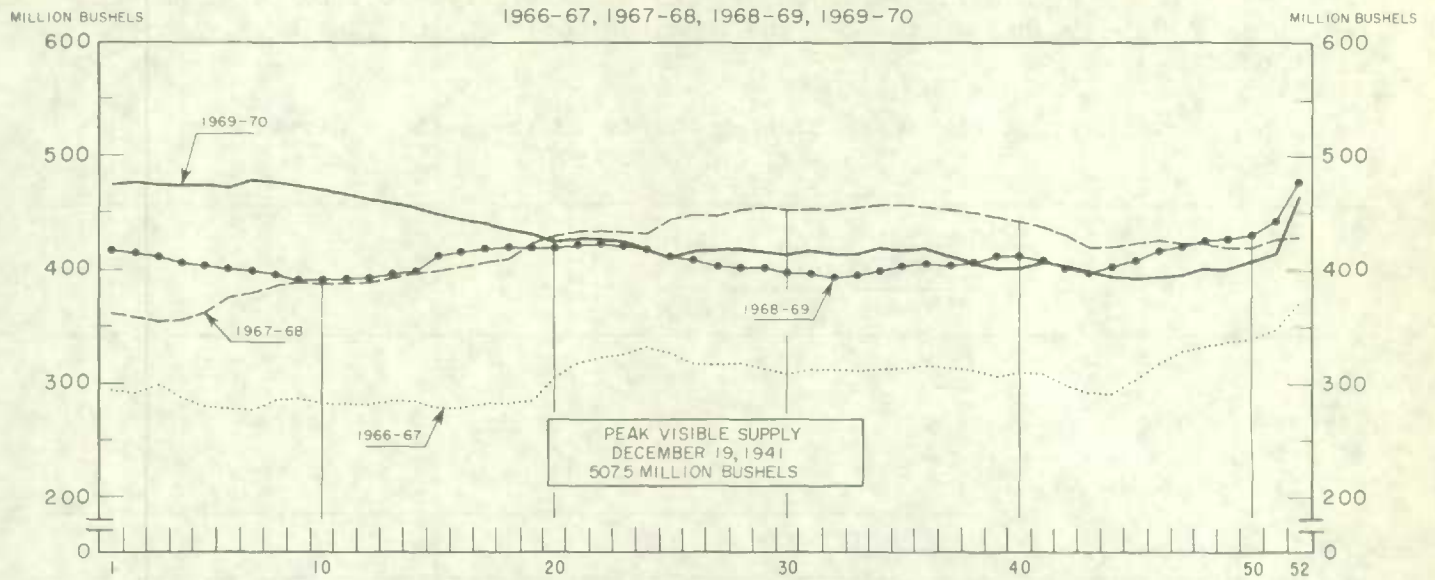
Grading of Wheat Inspected, August 1969 — July 1970 with Comparisons

Grade	Crop year				
	Average				
	1962-63.. 1966-67	1968-69		1969-70	
	per cent	cars	per cent	cars	per cent
No. 1 Man. Northern	5.1	25,524	12.1	12,667	6.1
No. 2 Man. Northern	35.8	67,486	31.9	63,823	30.8
No. 3 Man. Northern	22.7	21,870	10.3	40,959	19.8
No. 4 Man. Northern	10.5	8,772	4.1	21,068	10.2
No. 5 Wheat	4.5	6,138	2.9	11,400	5.5
No. 6 Wheat	0.6	405	0.2	1,535	0.7
Feed Wheat	(1)	51	(1)	182	0.1
Others Red Spring	13.3	67,930	32.1	38,222	18.5
C.W. Garnet	0.2	127	0.1	4	(1)
C.W. White Spring	0.1	346	0.2	429	0.2
C.W. Mixed Wheat	0.1	98	(1)	125	0.1
Alberta Winter	0.7	874	0.4	1,734	0.8
Nos. 1-6 C.W. Amber Durum	5.8	6,137	2.9	13,328	6.4
Others C.W. Amber Durum	0.4	5,846	2.8	1,435	0.7
Totals	100.0	211,604	100.0	206,911	100.0
Gross bushels (approx.)		405,069,000 ^r		404,383,000	

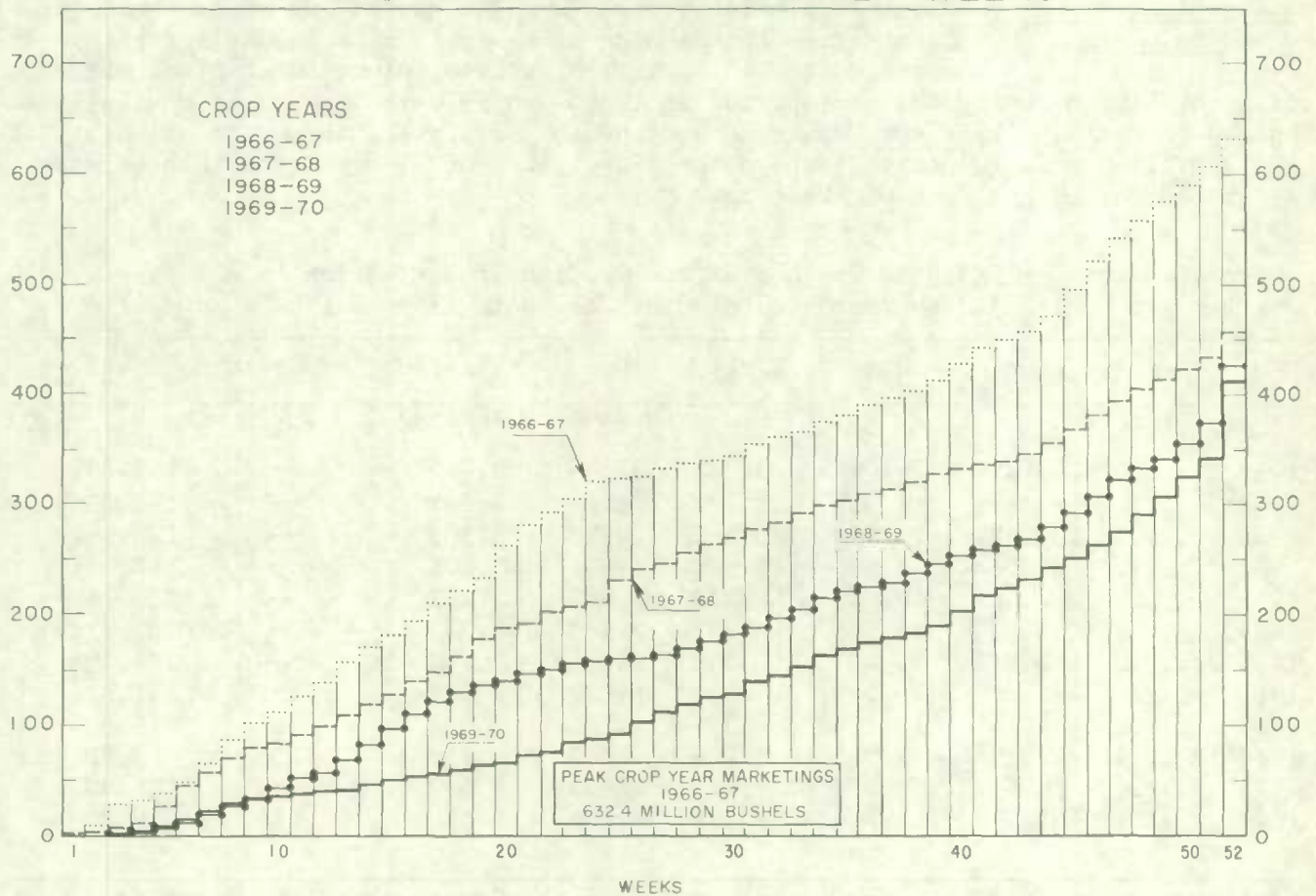
(1) Less than .05 per cent.

^r 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)

General Quota Position By July 27, 1970 out of a total of 1,801 shipping points in the western division, the Canadian Wheat Board had placed 1,653 points on a delivery quota of four bushels per specified acre, and 125 points on a three-bushel quota. Of the remainder only 23 stations were reported as "closed".

Summary of Elevator Shipping Points in the Western Division
as at July 27, 1970

Province	General quota in bushels per specified acre		Closed	Total
	Three	Four		
Manitoba	—	322	1	323
Saskatchewan	119	834	15	968
Alberta	6	490	7	503
British Columbia	—	7	—	7
All provinces	125	1,653	23	1,801

Lake Shipments of Canadian Grain Total shipments of the six major grains out of Lakehead terminals from the opening of navigation to August 12 this year amounted to 218.8 million bushels, almost double the 115.1 million shipped during the same period in 1969. In 1970 the season of navigation opened on April 8 while the 1969 season opened on April 11. Shipments of wheat, at 135.3 million were 70 per cent above the 1969 figure of 79.6 million bushels and accounted for 62 per cent of the total.

Lake Shipments of Canadian Grain from the Opening of Navigation to August 12, 1970
and to Approximately the Same Date 1959 to 1969

	Wheat	Oats	Barley	Rye	Flaxseed	Rapeseed	Total
	thousand bushels						
1959	103,299	14,099	23,322	3,304	3,474	—	147,497
1960	103,299	11,057	25,522	2,665	3,993	—	146,536
1961	133,438	14,459	23,466	1,388	3,309	—	176,061
1962	69,518	7,989	12,380	1,371	3,204	—	94,461
1963	92,522	20,825	11,975	1,548	3,297	—	130,166
1964	196,939	15,388	18,347	2,283	4,759	—	237,716
1965	118,791	25,081	17,549	2,291	5,223	559	169,495
1966	196,406	14,594	19,096	4,031	7,195	555	241,876
1967	147,241	19,196	41,354	2,745	5,002	816	216,354
1968(1)	77,196	7,968	8,764	567	2,930	255	97,681
1969	79,617	8,357	20,687	1,069	4,597	760	115,087
1970	135,313	12,726	59,397	1,820	6,559	2,989	218,804

(1) Reports indicate that no grain moved down the Great Lakes from July 18 to July 31, 1968, due to the Lakehead strike.

Wheat Shipments to
The United States
by Destination

Total vessel and rail shipments of wheat to the United States, either for re-export or retention for domestic use, from the beginning of the current crop year 1969-70 amounted to 1,173,000 bushels. There were no shipments during the corresponding period of 1968-69 and only 4,000 bushels were shipped in 1967-68.

Wheat Shipments(1) to the United States by Destination
Crop Year 1969-70 with Comparisons

Destination	1967-68	1968-69	1969-70
bushels			
<u>By Vessel</u>			
Buffalo	—	—	942,994
<u>By Rail</u>			
U.S.A. domestic points	—	—	180,000
Buffalo	4,357	—	50,000
Totals, rail	4,357	—	230,000
Totals, shipments	4,357	—	1,172,994

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

Rail Shipments
of Wheat to
Maritime Ports

Rail shipments of wheat to Maritime ports from Bay, Lake and Upper St. Lawrence ports during August 1969 — July 1970 amounted to 26,080,000 bushels compared with the August — July 1968-69 figure of 16,988,000

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

Origin of shipments	August 1, 1968 — July 31, 1969	August 1, 1969 — July 31, 1970
bushels		
Port McNicoll	4,903,780	8,694,984
Midland, Tiffin	4,813,309	9,147,781
Collingwood	63,817	111,660
Owen Sound	2,315,547	1,947,607
Goderich	1,782,903	1,454,108
Sarnia	1,265,504	2,898,937
Port Colborne	1,843,418	1,824,693
Totals	16,988,278	26,079,770

Rail Shipments of Wheat from Thunder Bay 1966-67 - 1969-70

Month	1966-67	1967-68	1968-69	1969-70
bushels				
August	118,973	133,651	—	132,953
September	83,333	182,051	23,084	134,054
October	89,384	152,009	57,458	149,076
November	163,332	50,475	101,966	126,319
December	106,833	143,833	44,136	179,384
January	145,889	160,214	131,034	272,300
February	120,334	143,884	99,776	403,541
March	177,393	274,690	153,067	298,335
April	133,699	123,167	79,899	260,918
May	207,038	61,460	108,339	311,200
June	154,139	101,950	120,532	221,999
July	93,094	88,500	137,404	293,745
Totals	1,593,441	1,615,884	1,056,695	2,783,824

Distribution of Rail Shipments of Wheat from Thunder Bay, July 1970

Grade	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario
bushels					
5 Wheat	—	7,500	2,000	45,633	1,500
Tough	7,333	28,000	105,333	73,367	9,002
Durum	—	—	—	4,000	6,077
Others	—	—	—	4,000	—
Totals	7,333	35,500	107,333	127,000	16,579

Overseas Exports of Canadian Grain by Ports of Loading, August 1, 1969 - July 31, 1970
with Comparisons

Port	Wheat(1)	Durum wheat(1)	Oats(1)	Barley	Rye	Flaxseed	Rapeseed
thousand bushels							
<u>Pacific Seaboard</u>							
Van.-New West	119,317	379	—	35,297	2,156	7,892	17,602
Victoria	5,744	—	—	—	—	—	—
Prince Rupert	9,285	—	—	—	—	—	—
<u>Churchill</u>	21,966	—	—	—	—	—	—
<u>Thunder Bay direct</u> ..	1,168	175	2,730	3,317	255	1,701	1,246
<u>Toronto direct</u>	364	—	—	—	—	—	—
<u>St. Lawrence</u>							
Montreal	22,898	8,564	164	18,671	160	868	307
Sorel	23,086	277	—	—	112	—	—
Trois Rivières	14,516	680	413	—	—	242	—
Quebec	6,223	269	521	—	229	3,560	2,061
Baie Comeau	13,958	443	—	4,809	—	2,224	789
Port Cartier	31,779	4,736	—	8,999	115	1,597	—
<u>Maritime</u>							
Saint John	485	—	—	—	—	—	—
West Saint John	13,857	2,459	50	—	—	305	—
Halifax	13,917	—	—	1,293	—	215	167
Totals	298,565	17,983	3,877	72,387	3,027	18,603	22,173
August 1, 1968 —							
July 31, 1969	261,917	18,624	1,324	13,533	3,354	13,421	14,214

(1) Excluding seed.

Shipments Under Freight assistance shipments of wheat from the Prairie Provinces to Eastern
Feed Grain Canada and British Columbia during August 1969 - June 1970, amounted to
Assistance Regulations 23,061,000 bushels, sharply above the 7,806,000 shipped during the comparable
period of 1968-69. The bulk of the shipments during the current eleven months
under review went to destinations in Quebec and Ontario with these two provinces accounting for a
combined 69 per cent of the total.

Provincial Distribution of Wheat Shipments under the Feed Grain Assistance Regulations
August - June 1969-70 and 1968-69

Month	Western wheat								Eastern wheat		
	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	B.C.	Total	N.S.	N.B.	Que.
thousand bushels											
August 1969 ...	1	5	141	79	659	548	207	1,639	—	—	19
September	25	8	175	80	753	761	306	2,108	—	—	28
October	94	5	173	93	729	783	266	2,142	—	—	7
November	35	15	173	88	1,052	746	342	2,450	—	—	—
December	104	19	201	65	961	803	326	2,477	—	—	—
January 1970 ..	7	27	176	74	814	604	366	2,067	—	—	—
February	6	15	184	94	721	694	285	2,000	—	—	—
March ^r	48	37	338	156	1,100	962	699	3,342	—	—	—
April	—	—	48	16	92	197	4	358	—	—	3
May	100	15	184	86	829	534	318	2,066	—	—	1
June	73	21	245	103	985	696	290	2,413	—	2	2
Totals	492	168	2,038	933	8,695	7,328	3,408	23,061	—	2	60
Same months 1968-69	105	82	649	247	3,637	1,147	1,938	7,806	2	—	218

^r Revised figures.

Millfeed shipments under the Feed Grain Assistance Regulations indicate the movement of 443,168 tons during August-June 1969-70. Data on the August 1968-June 1969 shipments of millfeeds place the eleven-month total at 421,399 tons. The greater portion of the millfeed shipments during the eleven months under review went to destinations in Quebec and Ontario.

Provincial Distribution of Millfeed Shipments under the Feed Grain Assistance
Regulations August - June 1969-70 and 1968-69

Province	August - June	
	1968-69	1969-70
tons		
Newfoundland	6,350	2,301
Prince Edward Island	6,772	5,045
Nova Scotia	29,496	17,666
New Brunswick	21,764	14,064
Quebec	202,971	209,226
Ontario	124,276	160,215
British Columbia	29,770	34,651
Totals	421,399	443,168

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>1967-68</u>					
August	24,424	52	24,477	2,773	27,249
September	20,211	60	20,272	2,037	22,309
October	19,851	67	19,917	1,581	21,498
November	21,967	99	22,066	1,811	23,877
December	12,920	56	12,976	2,355	15,332
January	19,259	56	19,315	1,737	21,052
February	18,903	62	18,965	2,394	21,359
March	21,388	169	21,557	2,621	24,178
April	26,661	5	26,666	2,036	28,702
May	42,311	7	42,317	2,061	44,378
June	40,798	1	40,799	1,349	42,148
July	41,975	18	41,993	1,937	43,930
Totals	310,669	651	311,320	24,690	336,010
<u>1968-69</u>					
August	31,127	1	31,128	2,586	33,714
September	30,019	45	30,064	2,134	32,198
October	25,995	50	26,045	2,445	28,490
November	23,338	23	23,361	2,305	25,666
December	16,061	46	16,107	1,662	17,770
January	18,843	12	18,856	1,224	20,079
February	24,149	45	24,194	2,077	26,271
March	19,857	148	20,005	2,760	22,764
April	10,278	138	10,416	1,044	11,460
May	30,350	51	30,401	1,432	31,833
June	24,016	10	24,026	1,835	25,861
July	26,506	107	26,612	3,119	29,731
Totals	280,541	674	281,216	24,623	305,838
<u>1969-70(4)</u>					
August	13,012	121	13,133	2,182	15,315
September	20,949	74	21,024	1,252	22,276
October	18,838	—	18,838	2,237	21,075
November	22,835	108	22,943	1,059	24,002
December	22,294	54	22,348	2,592	24,940
January	26,351	73	26,424	3,351	29,774
February	18,597	201	18,799	1,929	20,728
March	21,958	505	22,463	2,041	24,504
April	32,913	399	33,313	3,480	36,792
May	36,047	168	36,215	1,926	38,141
June ^r	39,898	130	40,028	2,900	42,928
July	44,010	59	44,070	2,076	46,146
Totals	317,703	1,894	319,597	27,023	346,621

(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, 1967-68 and 1968-69 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. ^r Revised figures.

Exports of Canadian Wheat(1) by Destination, July 1970 and 1969

Destination	Wheat (except durum)	Durum wheat	All wheat	
			July 1970	July 1969 ^r
bushels				
<u>Western Europe</u>				
EEC:				
Belgium and Luxembourg	1,597,698	—	1,597,698	1,051,080
France	410,667	—	410,667	124,399
Germany, Federal Republic	513,000	366,815	879,815	941,874
Italy	1,287,415	—	1,287,415	4,161,995
Netherlands	1,789,403	713,218	2,502,621	397,708
Sub-totals	5,598,183	1,080,033	6,678,216	6,677,056
<u>Other Western Europe</u>				
Britain	5,644,390	123,200	5,767,590	3,282,144
Ireland	105,653	—	105,653	177,333
Norway	715,904	—	715,904	—
Switzerland	—	200,149	200,149	454,238
Sub-totals	6,465,947	323,349	6,789,296	3,913,715
Totals	12,064,130	1,403,382	13,467,512	10,590,771
<u>Eastern Europe</u>				
Albania	424,032	—	424,032	—
Poland	1,157,480	—	1,157,480	—
U.S.S.R. (Russia)	6,651,323	—	6,651,323	—
Totals	8,232,835	—	8,232,835	—
<u>Africa</u>				
Ghana	—	—	—	173,338
Morocco	228,391	—	228,391	—
U.A.R. - Egypt	1,660,699	—	1,660,699	—
Totals	1,889,090	—	1,889,090	173,338
<u>Asia</u>				
Afghanistan	37,552	—	37,552	—
Hong Kong	—	—	—	56,187
India	5,111,388	—	5,111,388	—
Japan	3,026,586	—	3,026,586	3,232,938
Malaysia	—	—	—	70,933
People's Republic of China	9,119,574	—	9,119,574	11,245,411
Syria	1,046,416	292,619	1,339,035	—
Taiwan	—	—	—	505,221
Totals	18,341,516	292,619	18,634,135	15,110,690
<u>Western Hemisphere</u>				
Cuba	741,712	50,000	791,712	—
Ecuador	—	—	—	116,293
Jamaica	399	—	399	1,196
Peru	450,240	—	450,240	—
Venezuela	544,320	—	544,320	513,282
Totals	1,736,671	50,000	1,786,671	630,771
Sub-totals, all countries ...	42,264,242	1,746,001	44,010,243	26,505,570
Seed wheat(2)			59,268	106,684
Totals, all countries	42,264,242	1,746,001	44,069,511	26,612,254

(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, 1969 adjusted for time lag, 1970 preliminary.

^r Revised figures.

Cumulative Exports of Canadian Wheat(1) by Destination

Destination	August 1969 - July 1970			Total same period last year ^r
	Wheat (except durum)	Durum wheat	Total wheat	
bushels				
<u>Western Europe</u>				
EEC:				
Belgium and Luxembourg	8,804,210 ^r	379,282 ^r	9,183,492 ^r	7,450,156
France	1,013,033 ^r	1,824,321	2,837,354 ^r	4,382,295
Germany, Federal Republic ..	5,395,474 ^r	4,112,660 ^r	9,508,134 ^r	12,804,842
Italy	9,670,631 ^r	2,473,014	12,143,645 ^r	15,197,059
Netherlands	7,344,883 ^r	1,515,330 ^r	8,860,213 ^r	5,790,924
Sub-totals	32,228,231 ^r	10,304,607 ^r	42,532,838 ^r	45,625,276
<u>Other Western Europe</u>				
Austria	—	361,507	361,507	768,438
Britain	51,010,611 ^r	247,520 ^r	51,258,131 ^r	55,711,671
Denmark	48,160	—	48,160	22,027
Finland	—	—	—	638,500
Ireland	900,848	—	900,848	983,733
Malta and Gozo	676,853	18,666	695,519	588,592
Norway	3,593,445	—	3,593,445	588,000
Portugal	—	841,750	841,750	—
Sweden	56,776	19,488	76,264	80,304
Switzerland	1,650,568 ^r	2,253,298 ^r	3,903,866 ^r	5,683,343
Sub-totals	57,937,261 ^r	3,742,229 ^r	61,679,490 ^r	65,064,608
Totals	90,165,492	14,046,836	104,212,328	110,689,884
<u>Eastern Europe</u>				
Albania	2,433,760	—	2,433,760	1,090,245
Bulgaria	1,929,134	—	1,929,134	—
Hungary	—	—	—	2,939,633
Poland	3,782,013	—	3,782,013	3,414,941
U.S.S.R. (Russia)	47,257,337	—	47,257,337	1,734,881
Totals	55,402,244	—	55,402,244	9,179,700
<u>Africa</u>				
Algeria	—	1,543,221	1,543,221	1,796,005
Congo	122,379	—	122,379	36,500
Ghana	1,910,732	—	1,910,732	1,779,115
Mauritania	56,694	—	56,694	1,212
Morocco	1,058,899	—	1,058,899	—
Mozambique	37,336	—	37,336	—
Niger	—	—	—	687,344
Nigeria	18,667	—	18,667	—
Sierra Leone	—	—	—	141,866
Sudan	187,469	—	187,469	—
Tanzania	54,133	—	54,133	110,235
Tunisia	1,028,834	734,867	1,763,701	692,139
U.A.R.-Egypt	3,188,700	—	3,188,700	—
Totals	7,663,843	2,278,088	9,941,931	5,244,416

See footnote(s) at end of table.

FARMERS' MARKETINGS OF WHEAT, PRAIRIE PROVINCES

(SPECIFIED PERIODS)

MILLION BUSHELS

800 —

700 —

600 —

500 —

400 —

300 —

200 —

100 —

0

30 year average
1938-39
1967-68

10 year average
1958-59
1967-68

JULY

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1964-65

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1968-69

1969-70

PEAK MARKETINGS
1966-67 CROP YEAR
632.4 MILLION BUSHELS

MILLION BUSHELS

800 —

700 —

600 —

500 —

400 —

300 —

200 —

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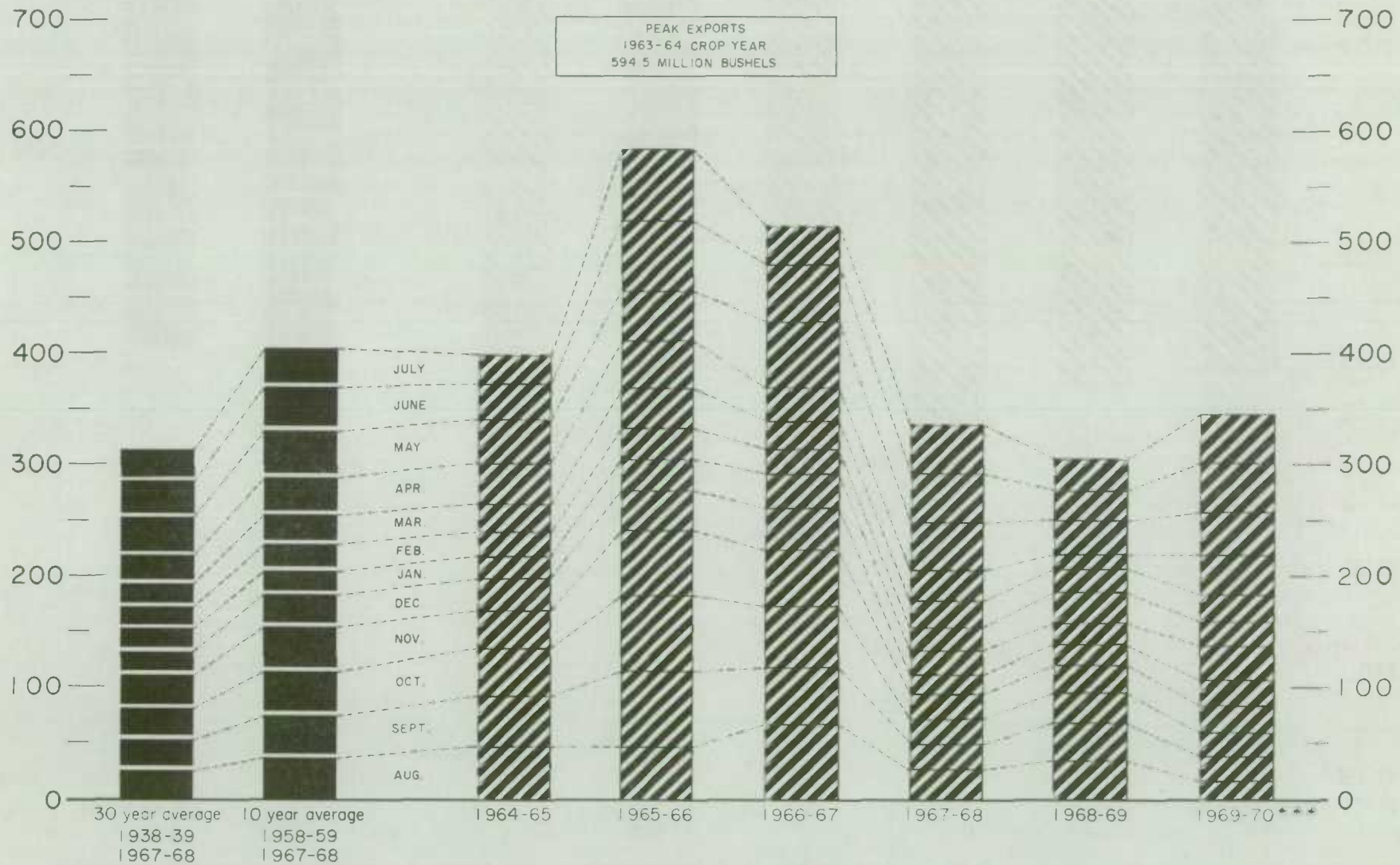
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EXPORTS OF CANADIAN WHEAT* AND WHEAT FLOUR**

(SPECIFIED PERIODS)

MILLION BUSHEL

MILLION BUSHEL



* Beginning with 1955-56 includes seed wheat.

** In terms of wheat equivalent

*** Preliminary.

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FARMERS' MARKETINGS OF BARLEY, PRAIRIE PROVINCES

(SPECIFIED PERIODS)

MILLION BUSHEL

140

120

100

80

60

40

20

0

MILLION
BUSHEL

160

140

120

100

80

60

40

20

0

JULY

JUNE

MAY

APR

MAR

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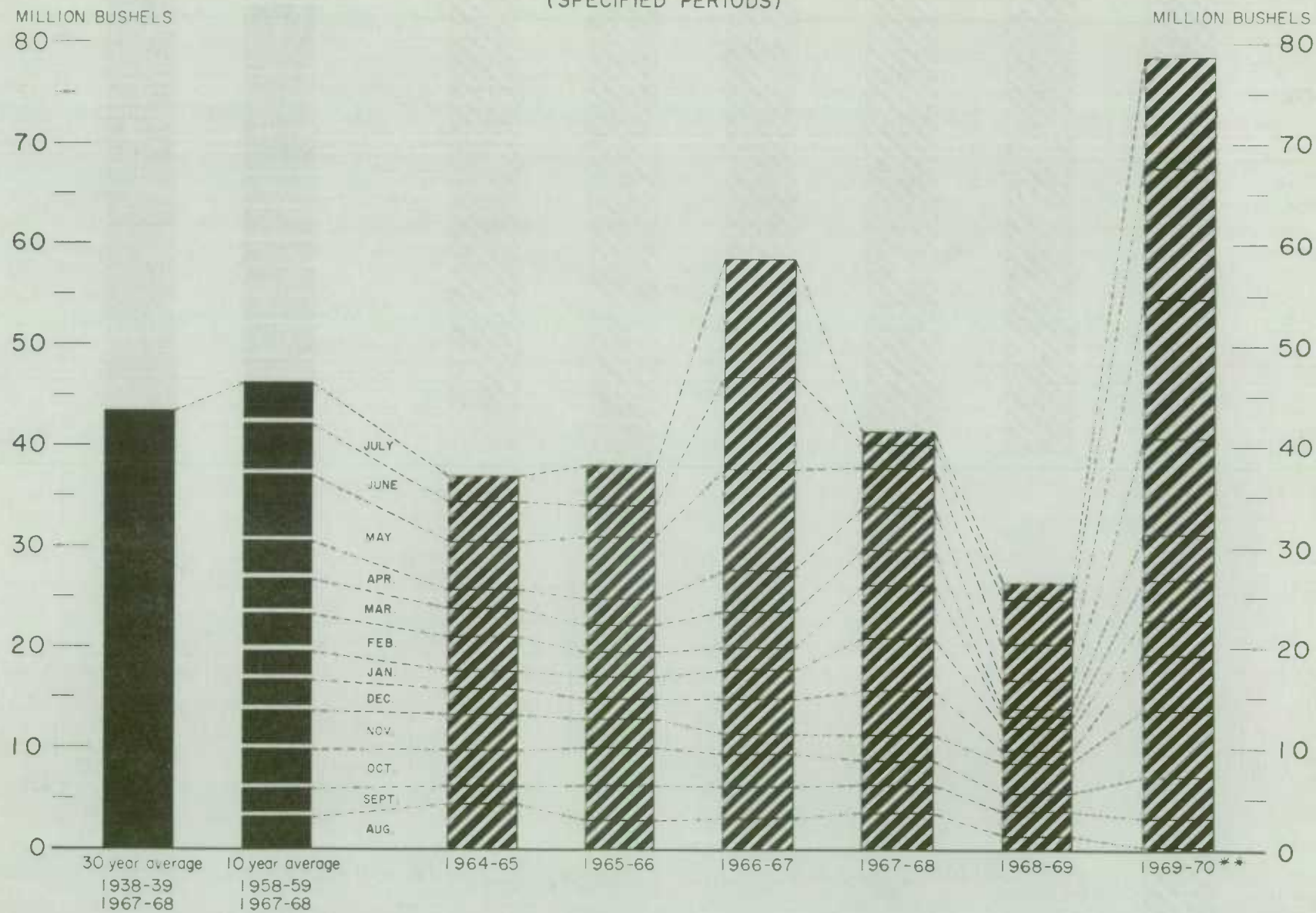
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EXPORTS OF CANADIAN BARLEY AND BARLEY PRODUCTS*

(SPECIFIED PERIODS)



* In terms of grain equivalent. ** Preliminary.

FARMERS' MARKETINGS OF OATS, PRAIRIE PROVINCES

(SPECIFIED PERIODS)

MILLION BUSHEL

80 —

70 —

60 —

50 —

40 —

30 —

20 —

10 —

0

MILLION BUSHEL

80 —

70 —

60 —

50 —

40 —

30 —

20 —

10 —

0

30 year average

1938-39
1967-68

10 year average

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JULY

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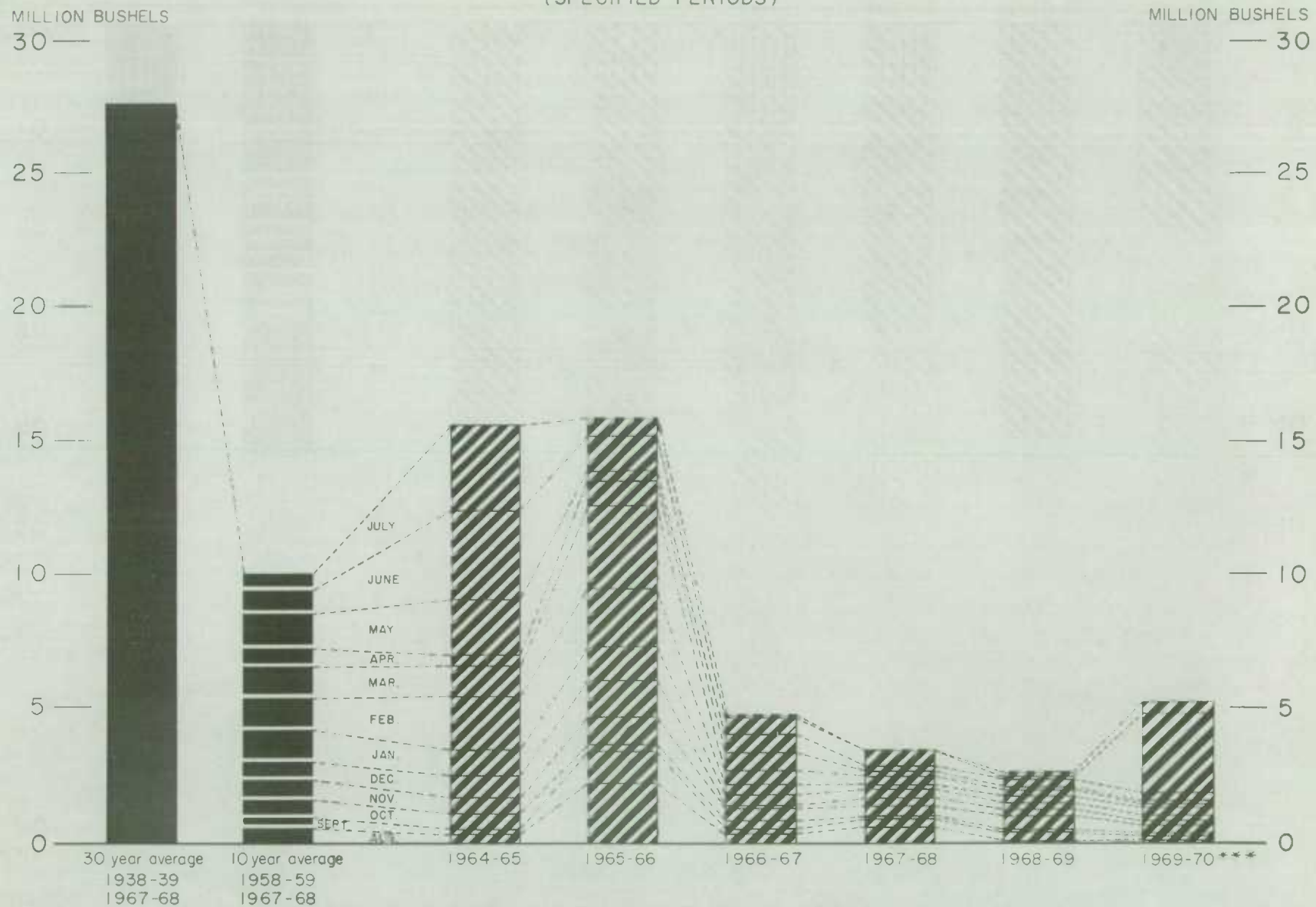
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EXPORTS OF CANADIAN OATS* AND OAT PRODUCTS**

(SPECIFIED PERIODS)



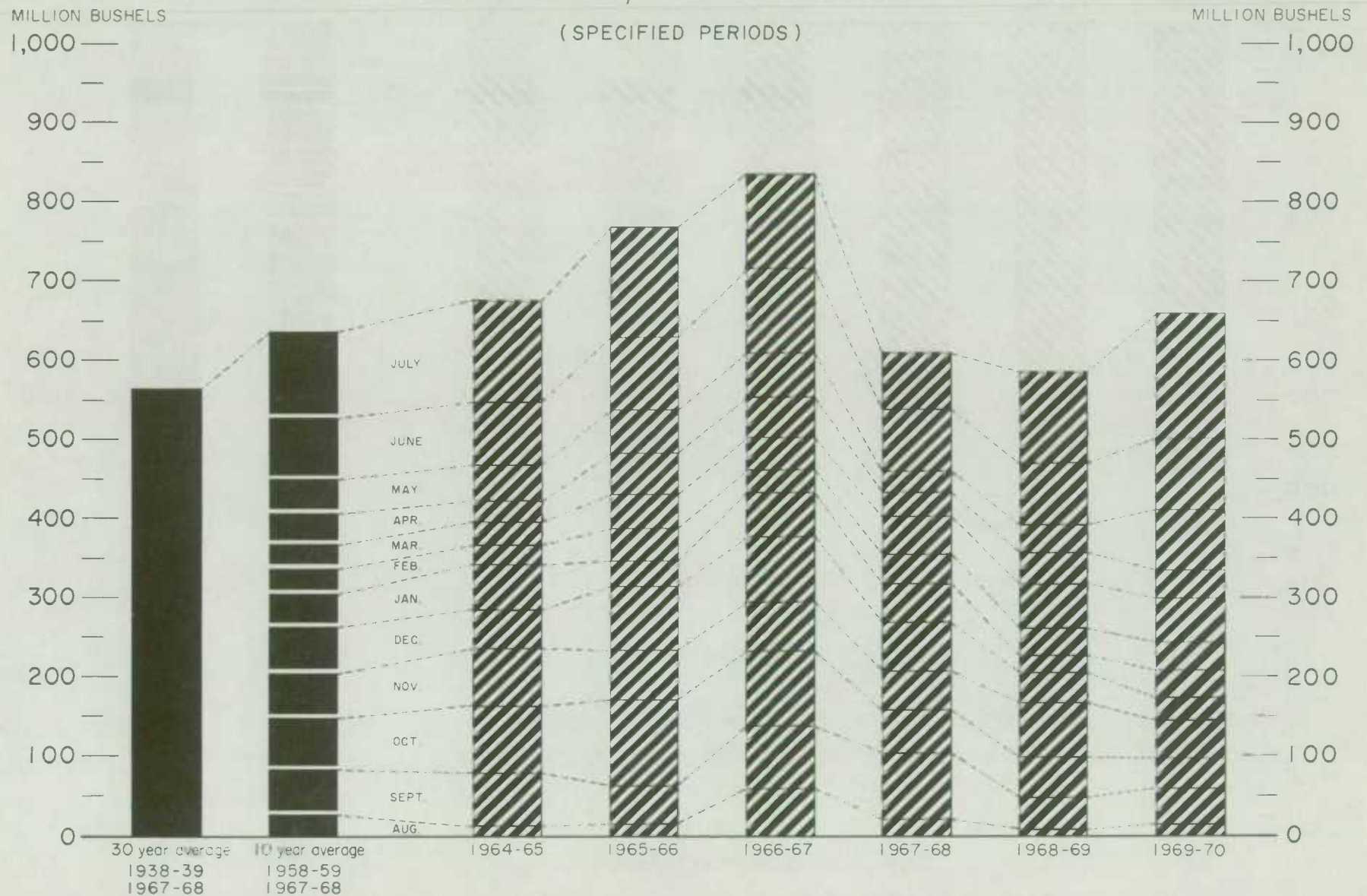
* Beginning with 1960-61 includes relatively small quantity of seed oats

** In terms of grain equivalent

*** Preliminary

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

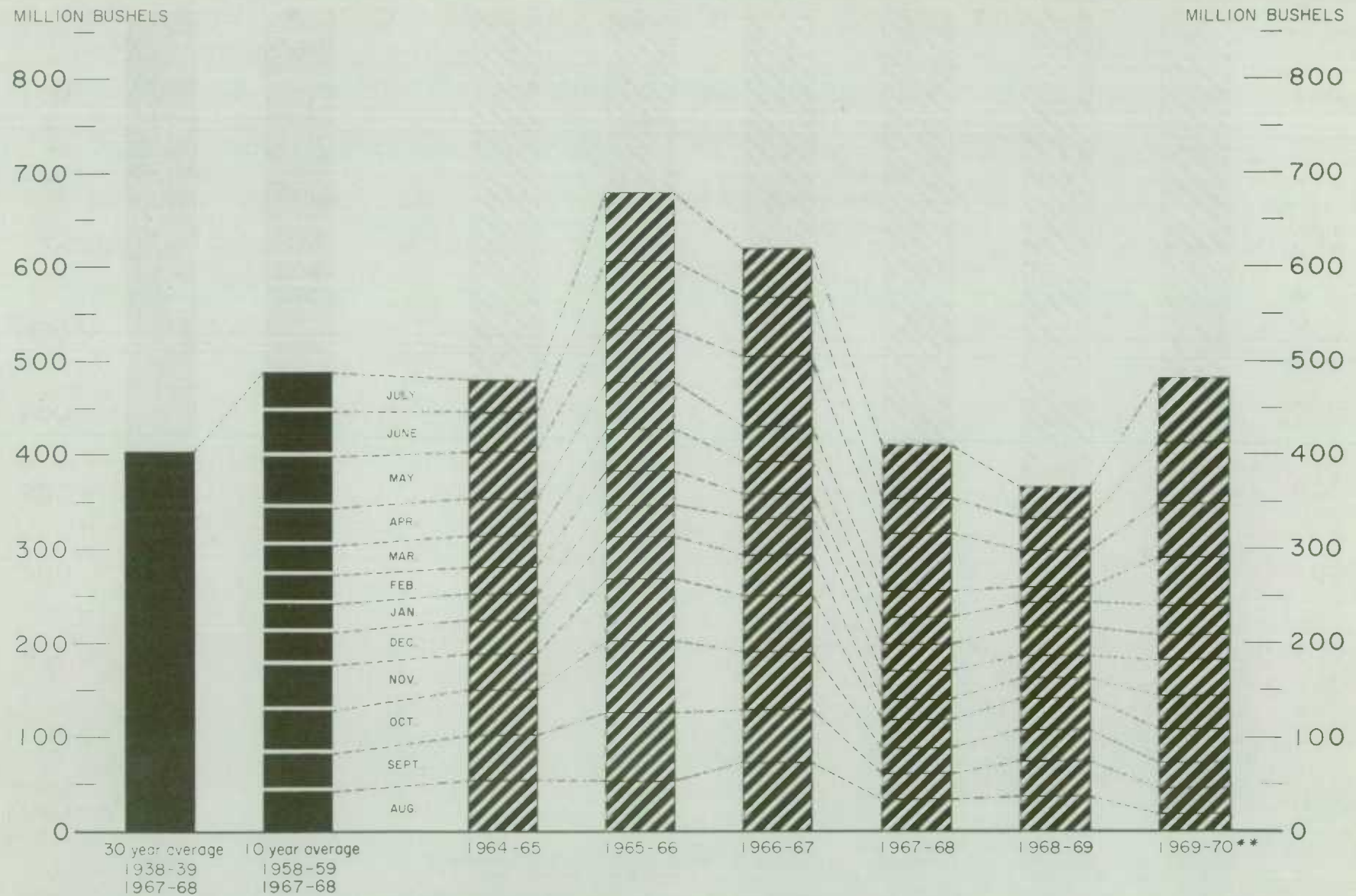


* Wheat, oats, barley, rye, flaxseed and from 1960-61 rapeseed

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EXPORTS OF CANADA'S SIX MAJOR GRAINS AND PRODUCTS*

(SPECIFIED PERIODS)



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

Cumulative Exports of Canadian Wheat(1) by Destination - Con.

Destination	August 1969 - July 1970			Total
	Wheat (except durum)	Durum wheat	Total wheat	same period last year ^r
bushels				
Asia				
Afghanistan	37,552	—	37,552	6,154
Hong Kong	767,293	—	767,293	836,044
India	16,487,796	—	16,487,796	15,306,956
Indonesia	—	—	—	29,394
Iraq	553,628	—	553,628	12,860
Israel	—	—	—	522,000
Japan	39,028,756	—	39,028,756	43,269,026
Korea, South	970,330	379,142	1,349,472	—
Malaysia	452,462	—	452,462	456,628
Pakistan	2,262,475	—	2,262,475	2,753,926
People's Republic of China ..	65,114,439	—	65,114,439	81,971,526
Singapore	345,707	—	345,707	160,767
Syria	3,403,330	834,027	4,237,357	2,020,883
Taiwan	520,837	—	520,837	1,026,058
Turkey	—	—	—	32,518
Totals	129,944,605	1,213,169	131,157,774	148,404,740
Western Hemisphere				
Bahamas	—	—	—	40
Barbados	89	—	89	139
Cuba	4,722,504	447,522	5,170,026	1,712,200
Ecuador	158,005	—	158,005	528,443
Guatemala	—	—	—	16,667
Haiti Republic	1,168,467	—	1,168,467	328,533
Jamaica	1,190,977	—	1,190,977	1,181,927
Paraguay	—	—	—	1,727
Peru	6,240,420	—	6,240,420	—
St. Lucia	167	—	167	187
Trinidad and Tobago	—	—	—	220,133
Venezuela	1,887,342	—	1,887,342	3,032,296
United States (2)	1,172,994	—	1,172,994	—
Totals	16,540,965	447,522	16,988,487	7,022,292
Sub-totals, all countries	299,717,149	17,985,615	317,702,764	280,541,032
Seed wheat (3)			1,894,307	674,499
Totals, all countries	299,717,149	17,985,615	319,597,071	281,215,531

(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 America grain correspondents.

(3) Compiled from Canadian Customs returns, 1968-69 adjusted for time lag.

^r Revised figures.

Customs Exports of Canadian Wheat Flour by Countries of Consignment

Destination	March	June	August - June	
	1970(1)	1970(2)	1969-70(2)	1968-69(1)
	bushels			
<u>Western Europe</u>				
EEC:				
Belgium and Luxembourg	16,923	—	68,273	105,046
France	—	—	644	—
Germany, Federal Republic ...	—	—	283	—
Italy	—	2,070	18,630	18,630
Netherlands	2,300	—	4,195	3,770
Sub-totals	19,223	2,070	92,025	127,446
<u>Other Western Europe</u>				
Britain	268,228	102,138	2,093,071	2,235,453
Denmark	—	—	—	460
Gibraltar	—	—	5,409	5,152
Greece	21,813	—	56,881	57,875
Iceland	—	—	—	3,386
Ireland	—	—	—	2,962
Norway	—	—	—	230
Portugal	12,565	—	63,477	34,840
Spain	—	—	9,246	—
Sweden	—	—	515	1,030
Sub-totals	302,606	102,138	2,228,599	2,341,388
Totals	321,829	104,208	2,320,624	2,468,834
<u>Africa</u>				
Algeria	12,678	—	12,678	65,870
Angola	2,300	4,600	9,890	19,320
Cameroun Republic	—	—	9,315	27,830
Congo-Kinshasa	2,760	2,990	39,095	53,705
Dahomey	—	—	35,885	35,648
Ethiopia	—	225	400	—
French Africa n.e.s.	—	—	—	8,285
Gambia	13,811	460	61,711	57,424
Ghana	—	230	219,650	1,257,364
Guinea Republic	—	—	74,683	101,587
Ivory Coast	—	1,150	6,470	5,865
Liberia	9,303	9,520	234,784	172,307
Malawi	4,025	1,150	44,413	48,638
Mauritania	—	—	7,910	—
Morocco	—	—	4,705	—
Mozambique	5,814	2,334	51,736	54,241
Nigeria	—	—	—	230
Portuguese Africa n.e.s.	8,372	17,250	89,155	71,996

See footnote(s) at end of table.

Customs Exports of Canadian Wheat Flour by Countries of Consignment - Con.

Destination	March	June	August - June	
	1970(1)	1970(2)	1969-70(2)	1968-69(1)
	bushels			
Africa (concluded)				
Sierra Leone	970	1,210	7,406	6,705
Sudan	146,740	—	146,740	—
Tanzania	3,450	920	23,678	5,750
Togo	2,300	1,725	136,586	130,725
U.A.R.- Egypt	269,325	—	565,659	767,413
Zambia	—	—	—	4,600
Totals	481,848	43,764	1,782,549	2,895,503
Asia				
Afghanistan	—	—	1,208	621
Bahrain	—	166	166	34
Burma	—	395,347	1,199,064	—
Ceylon	129,555	—	1,285,806	857,902
Cyprus	14,402	412	15,767	522
Hong Kong	22,646	11,155	205,516	317,996
India	—	—	672	453
Indonesia	—	—	674,726	640,039
Iran	407	—	3,593	5,168
Iraq	367,837	42,594	485,627	46,522
Israel	—	—	—	228,390
Japan	3,853	—	13,880	7,556
Jordan	—	202	7,767	122
Korea, South	—	—	—	7,815
Lebanon	—	204,403	531,801	445,447
Malaysia	—	—	138	—
Pakistan	—	—	—	230
Philippines	—	—	1,663	1,012
Portuguese Asia	1,012	—	7,843	15,996
Qatar	—	232	1,210	798
Saudi Arabia	386,122	1,150	482,057	42,442
Syria	—	—	—	9,432
Thailand	16,388	2,300	128,144	165,161
Trucial States	—	396	2,779	2,946
Viet-Nam	—	—	—	920
Totals	942,222	658,357	5,049,427	2,797,524
Oceania				
British Oceania n.e.s.	460	—	4,090	6,956
Fiji	230	—	5,014	6,428
New Zealand	—	—	—	460
United States Oceania	—	3,450	24,553	24,619
Totals	690	3,450	33,657	38,463

See footnote(s) at end of table.

Customs Exports of Canadian Wheat Flour by Countries of Consignment — Con.

Destination	March	June	August - June	
	1970(1)	1970(2)	1969-70(2)	1968-69(1)
	bushels			
<u>Western Hemisphere</u>				
Bahamas	11,744	15,674	223,010	267,501
Barbados	26,040	20,516	271,931	258,679
Bermuda	7,227	4,604	109,107	104,323
Bolivia	—	—	—	18,257
British Honduras	3,818	2,033	49,928	47,737
Chile	—	—	24,856	—
Cuba(3)	607,182	1,870,454	12,738,812	10,180,739
Dominican Republic	—	762	1,217	2,139
Ecuador	—	—	—	345
El Salvador	—	—	228	487
French West Indies	—	—	1,966	3,224
Guatemala	—	—	805	7,130
Guyana	115	1,256	23,833	73,678
Haiti Republic	—	—	16,440	281,065
Honduras Republic	345	345	9,867	14,745
Jamaica	9,228	1,566	128,915	149,452
Leeward and Windward Islands ..	66,109	41,975	710,714	727,877
Netherlands Antilles	21,848	16,358	202,067	169,324
Panama	322	—	1,095	1,882
Paraguay	—	—	—	2,383
Peru	—	—	—	10,065
St. Pierre and Miquelon	4,738	2,059	21,984	22,268
Surinam	1,732	2,840	18,685	9,672
Trinidad and Tobago	59,365	58,404	856,969 ^r	525,709
Venezuela	—	—	499	718
United States Virgin Islands ..	—	214	329	380
United States	33,396	50,810	347,910	423,784
Totals	853,209	2,089,870	15,761,167 ^r	13,303,563
Totals, all countries	2,599,798	2,899,649	24,947,424 ^r	21,503,887

(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.

^r Revised figures.

n.e.s. — Not elsewhere specified.

NOTE: Data for July Wheat flour exports not available.

Canadian Wheat Board Weekly Average Cash Wheat Prices, 1970
Basis in Store Thunder Bay and Vancouver

Class and grade	Week ending			
	July 24	July 31	August 7	August 14
cents and eighths per bushel				
<u>Initial payment to producers</u>				
1 Northern	150	150	150	150
2 Northern	146	146	146	146
3 Northern	141	141	141	141
4 Northern	133	133	133	133
5 Wheat	119	119	119	119
6 Wheat	115	115	115	115
Feed Wheat	110	110	110	110
1 C.W. Garnet	133	133	133	133
2 C.W. Garnet	128	128	128	128
3 C.W. Garnet	123	123	123	123
1 Alberta Red Winter	132	132	132	132
2 Alberta Winter	127	127	127	127
3 Alberta Winter	121	121	121	121
1 C.W. Amber Durum	150	150	150	150
2 C.W. Amber Durum	146	146	146	146
3 C.W. Amber Durum	141	141	141	141

International Grains Arrangement
(Basis in store Thunder Bay)

1 Northern	173	172/3	171/4	171/6
2 Northern	170	169/3	168/4	168/6
3 Northern	161/4	160/7	160	160/2
4 Northern	150/7	150/2	149/4	149/5
5 Wheat(1)	151/5	151/5	151/5	151/5
6 Wheat(1)	146/5	146/5	146/5	146/5
Feed Wheat(1)	141/5	141/5	141/5	141/5
1 C.W. Garnet	150/7	150/2	149/4	149/5
2 C.W. Garnet	149/7	149/2	148/4	148/5
3 C.W. Garnet	148/7	148/2	147/4	147/5
1 Alberta Red Winter	150/7	150/2	149/4	149/5
2 Alberta Winter	149/7	149/2	148/4	148/5
3 Alberta Winter	148/7	148/2	147/4	147/5
1 C.W. Amber Durum	170/3	166/6	166	166/1
2 C.W. Amber Durum	167/3	163/6	163	163/1
3 C.W. Amber Durum	157/4	153/7	153	153/2

(Basis in store Vancouver)

1 Northern	172	171/3	170/4	170/6
2 Northern	169/4	168/7	168	168/2
3 Northern	164/4	163/7	163	163/2
4 Northern	158/7	158/2	157/4	157/5
1 C.W. Garnet	158/7	158/2	157/4	157/5
2 C.W. Garnet	157/7	157/2	156/4	156/5
3 C.W. Garnet	156/7	156/2	155/4	155/5
1 Alberta Red Winter	158/7	158/2	157/4	157/5
2 Alberta Winter	157/7	157/2	156/4	156/5
3 Alberta Winter	156/7	156/2	155/4	155/5

(1) Domestic sales only.

Initial Payment
to Producers

The Canadian Wheat Board in its Instructions to the Trade No. 9 announced the fixed minimum carlot prices for wheat basis in store Thunder Bay or Vancouver. The amount to be paid in respect of wheat of the grade No. 1 Northern was fixed by Order-in-Council P.C. 1970-278 of the 15th day of July, 1970. The amount to be paid in respect of each other grade of wheat referred to in the following table was fixed by the Board and approved by Order-in-Council P.C. 1970-282 of the 15th day of July, 1970, pursuant to the Canadian Wheat Board Act, as amended.

Canadian Wheat Board Price List for Specified Grades of Wheat, Crop Year 1970-71
(In Carload Lots, Basis in Store Thunder Bay or Vancouver)

Effective August 1, 1970

Grade	Straight	Tough	Damp
dollars per bushel			
No. 1 Hard	1.50	1.46	
No. 1 Northern	1.50	1.46	1.34
No. 2 Northern	1.46	1.42	1.30
No. 3 Northern	1.41	1.37	1.25
No. 4 Northern	1.33	1.29	1.17
No. 5 Wheat	1.19	1.15	1.03
No. 6 Wheat	1.15	1.11	1.01
Feed Wheat	1.10	1.06	.96
No. 4 Special	1.33	1.29	1.17
No. 1 C.W. Amber Durum	1.50	1.46	1.34
No. 2 C.W. Amber Durum	1.46	1.42	1.30
No. 3 C.W. Amber Durum	1.41	1.37	1.25
Extra No. 4 C.W. Amber Durum	1.41	1.37	1.25
No. 4 C.W. Amber Durum	1.33	1.29	1.17
No. 5 C.W. Amber Durum	1.19	1.15	1.03
No. 6 C.W. Amber Durum	1.15	1.11	1.01
No. 1 C.W. Garnet	1.33	1.29	1.17
No. 2 C.W. Garnet	1.28	1.24	1.12
No. 3 C.W. Garnet	1.23	1.19	1.07
No. 4 C.W. Garnet	1.17	1.13	1.01
No. 1 Alberta Red Winter	1.32	1.28	1.16
No. 2 Alberta Winter	1.27	1.23	1.11
No. 3 Alberta Winter	1.21	1.17	1.05
No. 4 Alberta Winter	1.15	1.11	.99
No. 1 Soft White Spring	1.40	1.36	1.24
No. 2 Soft White Spring	1.37	1.33	1.21
No. 3 Soft White Spring	1.33	1.29	1.17
No. 4 Soft White Spring	1.30	1.26	1.14
No. 1 Mixed Wheat	1.19	1.15	1.05
No. 2 Mixed Wheat	1.16	1.12	1.02
No. 3 Mixed Wheat	1.16	1.12	1.02
No. 4 Mixed Wheat	1.11	1.07	.97
No. 5 Mixed Wheat	1.19	1.15	1.05
No. 6 Mixed Wheat	1.16	1.12	1.02
No. 1 C.W. Mixed Grain	1.05	1.01	.91

CANADIAN FLOUR MILLING SITUATION

Production Wheat flour production by Canadian mills during July 1970 amounted to 3,212,000 hundredweight representing a decrease of 2 per cent from the June 1970 total of 3,268,000 hundredweight and 3 per cent below the ten-year (1960-69) average production for the month of July of 3,306,000 hundredweight but 3 per cent more than the July 1969 total of 3,127,000 hundredweight. Mills reporting operations during July 1970 had a total rated capacity of 168,000 hundredweight per 24-hour day and on the basis of a 26-day working period 73.4 per cent of this rated capacity was effective.

Wheat milled for flour during July 1970 amounted to 7,381,000 bushels, one per cent lower than the 7,480,000 bushels milled during the preceding month but 4 per cent above the 7,085,000 bushels milled during July 1969. Of the wheat milled for flour during July 1970 some 6,209,000 bushels were Western Canadian spring wheat (other than Durum) while the remainder consisted of Ontario winter wheat (670,000 bushels); Durum (373,000 bushels); and all other (121,000 bushels).

Exports According to preliminary Customs returns, exports of Canadian wheat flour during June 1970 amounted to the equivalent of 2,900,000 bushels (some 1,261,000 hundredweight of flour) 51 per cent greater than the May 1970 exports of 1,926,000 bushels and 58 per cent higher than the adjusted June 1969 exports of 1,835,000 bushels. Flour shipments during the month went to forty-three countries with exports to Cuba amounting to 1,870,000 bushels or 64 per cent of the June total. Other leading markets for Canadian wheat flour in terms of wheat during the month with shipments in thousands of bushels were as follows: Burma, 395; Lebanon, 204; Britain, 102; Trinidad and Tobago, 58; United States, 51; Iraq, 43; and Leeward and Windward Islands, 42.

NOTE: Data re exports of wheat flour for July 1970 by country of destination are not available at this time and will be included in the next issue.

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	84,769,150	37,755,841	10,734,857
1968-69	85,048,591	37,621,151	10,705,452
1969-70(2)			
August	7,383,987	3,231,729	948,508
September	7,736,641	3,411,564	544,562
October	8,112,737	3,562,014	972,463
November	7,548,659	3,267,598	460,275
December	7,323,425	3,219,994	1,127,164
January	8,053,192	3,529,240	1,456,776
February	6,931,583	3,029,985	838,881
March	7,402,364	3,233,355	887,315
April	7,280,331	3,194,214	1,512,865
May	7,920,718	3,479,538	837,180 ^r
June	7,480,417	3,268,451	1,260,717 ^r
July	7,381,126	3,211,842	902,630
Totals	90,555,180	39,639,524	11,749,336
Same months 1968-69 ^r	85,408,591	37,621,151	10,705,452

(1) Based on Customs returns. Exports for the crop year 1945-46 - 1968-69 revised to remove effect of time lag in the returns made by Customs.

(2) Subject to revision.

^r Revised figures.

UNITED STATES SITUATION

Supply Position Total domestic supplies of wheat in the United States for the 1970-71 crop year are currently placed at 2,237.9 million bushels, 2 per cent less than the previous year's total of 2,277.4 million reflecting a decrease in production which more than offset an increase in carryover stocks. The 880.4 million bushels carried over at July 1, 1970 were 8 per cent more than the 1969 stocks, while the current crop, estimated at 1,357.5 million bushels, represents a decline of 7 per cent from last year's outturn of 1,458.9 million.

With a total disappearance of 1,350 to 1,400 million bushels in 1970-71, the carryover next July 1 would be held at about this summer's 880 million. With exports at the higher level of 650 million bushels a reduction in carryover would occur. Either way, it appears that the buildup in carryover stocks will be halted for the first time since 1966-67.

Exports Above Previous Year Exports of wheat, wheat flour and other products in terms of grain equivalent during July 1970 amounted to 51.5 million bushels, 15 per cent more than the 44.7 million exported during the same month last year. The balance remaining on August 1, 1970 for export and for carryover was estimated at 1,441.4 million bushels compared with 1,440.2 million on the same date a year ago.

United States Wheat Supplies

Item	1969-70 ^r	1970-71 ^P
	million bushels	
Carryover at beginning of crop year (July 1)	818.6	880.4
Production	1,458.9	1,357.5
Total estimated domestic supplies	2,277.4	2,237.9
Imports of wheat and wheat flour in terms of wheat for domestic use, July	0.1	(1)
Total estimated supplies(2)	2,277.5	2,237.9
Less estimated domestic requirements for crop year(3)	792.6	745.0
Available for export and for carryover	1,484.9	1,492.9
<u>Deduct</u>		
Exports of wheat as grain, July	37.5	46.5
Exports of wheat flour in terms of wheat, July	7.2	5.0
Total exports of wheat and wheat flour	44.7	51.5
Balance on August 1 for export and for carryover	1,440.2	1,441.4

(1) Less than 50,000 bushels.

(2) Excluding imports for August - June.

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

P Preliminary figures.

r Revised figures.

Stocks of Wheat
in All Positions
July 1, 1970

On July 23, 1970 the United States Department of Agriculture stated in a release that stocks of all wheat were 8 per cent above a year earlier, with durum wheat stocks nearly double last July 1.

Old crop carryover of all wheat on July 1 totalled 880 million bushels, 8 per cent more than a year earlier and the largest since July 1, 1964. Farm holdings at 305 million bushels were exceeded only by the record high July 1, 1969 stocks of 328 million. Off-farm stocks of 575 million bushels were 17 per cent above the previous year. July 1 stocks in all positions indicate disappearance during the crop year — July 1, 1969 to June 30, 1970 — of 1,397 million bushels compared with 1,297 million bushels a year earlier, and 1,408 million two years earlier. Of the total stocks on July 1, the Commodity Credit Corporation owned 300 million bushels of old crop wheat, and had loans outstanding on another 443 million.

Old crop durum wheat stocks in all storage positions on July 1 totalled a record high 77.4 million bushels, sharply above the 41.2 million on hand a year earlier. Farm stocks at 59.7 million bushels were record high and double a year earlier. Off-farm stocks of 17.6 million were 52 per cent above the previous year. July stocks show a disappearance of 70.1 million bushels in the crop year ended June 30, 1970, compared with 82.6 million a year earlier.

Stocks of United States Wheat by Positions, July 1, 1970 with Comparisons

Grain and position	July 1, 1968	July 1, 1969	April 1, 1970	July 1, 1970
thousand bushels				
<u>All wheat (old crop)</u>				
On farms(1)	230,379	327,835	454,302	305,109
Commodity Credit Corp.(2)	749	790	944	1,220
Mills, elev. & whses.(1) (3)	308,251	489,949	739,803	574,060
Totals	539,379	818,574	1,195,049	880,389
<u>Durum wheat(4) (old crop)</u>				
On farms(1)	18,181	29,599	78,910	59,742
Commodity Credit Corp.(2)	170	154	157	161
Mills, elev. & whses.(1) (3)	5,973	11,428	16,284	17,474
Totals	24,324	41,181	95,351	77,377

(1) Estimates of the Crop Reporting Board.

(2) C.C.C.-owned grain at bin sites.

(3) All off-farm storages not otherwise designated, including terminals and processing plants. Includes C.C.C.-owned grain in these storages.

(4) Included in all wheat.

Summary of the
Wheat Situation

In a report released on July 28, 1970 the United States Department of Agriculture stated that the wheat outlook for the 1970-71 marketing year is brightened by prospects for a probable decrease in carryover stocks. The current supply of wheat is somewhat below that of last year and demand is likely to continue strong in 1970-71. Exports are expected to match or better the 610 million bushels of 1969-70. Increased commercial sales would be primarily responsible for the export gain.

Wheat feeding may decline from last season's very high level but still provide a major outlet. Feeding this July-September is likely to approach the 130 million bushels used in the like 1969 months. Early season export demand is expected to be heavier this year than last and prices are likely to hold up better than last summer. In addition, a larger corn crop is expected. Thus, with higher wheat prices and larger feed grain supplies wheat feeding may drop sharply as the season progresses.

The total U.S. supply of wheat for 1970-71 stands at slightly more than 2.2 billion bushels, off a bit from the year-earlier level. A decline in production to 1,349 million bushels is partially offset by an increase in carryover. The portion of the carryover held by private trade fell to 146 million bushels, the smallest since July 1964. As a result, the beginning "free" or privately held supply of 1.5 billion bushels is some 160 million smaller than last year and in good balance with prospective disappearance.

Lower "free" stocks plus heavy exports and an anticipated continued heavy use of the loan program point to price strength during much if not all of 1970-71. Last season's average farm price at \$1.24 per bushel was a cent under the national average loan; this season's average may be over the \$1.25 loan rate. Prices late in the year likely will be affected by the size of the 1971 crop, and the price support loan rate and other program features applicable to that crop.

World wheat trade rose 200 million bushels in 1969-70 from the 1.6 billion bushels in 1968-69. It is expected to increase further in 1970-71. Smaller crops in Eastern Europe and West Asia are hiking world import requirements.

U.S. exports of soft red winter wheat in 1969-70 dropped to the lowest level since 1951-52. At 28 million bushels they were only half as large as in 1968-69 and sharply below the 1967-68 record of 121 million. Domestic use soared last year but is likely to return to a more nearly normal level in 1970-71. Exports in the current year are expected to be about the same as last year.

Hard red winter usage is likely to remain heavy as a result of continued large-scale feeding. Exports may again be substantial, totalling at or above last year's 338 million bushels. The protein content appears somewhat improved this year and this will be a determining factor in the magnitude of commercial exports.

White wheat exports may change little from last year's 119 million bushels. However, with a smaller supply, domestic use could drop from the 1969-70 level.

Hard red spring wheat exports could be affected by supply conditions. The supply of this wheat in 1970-71 is the smallest since 1949-50 owing to record exports the last 5 years. Strong foreign demand along with reduced domestic production brought the July 1970 carryover to 89 million bushels—the smallest since the late 1940's. Hard red spring has had to provide an increased share of the wheat required for commercial bakery flours due to the lower than usual protein content of hard winter crops the last 2 years. If winter wheat protein should again be low, domestic requirements for hard spring may continue heavy.

Durum wheat supplies — while off from last year's record — continue heavy. But exports of this wheat in 1970-71 may be no larger than last season's 34 million bushels with world supplies large and well distributed.

1970 Wheat Crop
Estimated at 1,357
Million Bushels

In a report released on August 11, 1970 the Crop Reporting Board of the United States Department of Agriculture stated that production of all wheat, forecast at 1,357 million bushels, was about 1 per cent more than a month ago, 7 per cent less than the 1969 crop and 14 per cent short of the record large 1968 crop. Changes between the August 1 forecast and the final estimates have averaged 20 million bushels ranging from 0.2 million to 60 million. Yield of all wheat forecast at a record 31.2 bushels per acre was 0.5 bushels above last year and 2.7 bushels above the 1968 yield. Grain was expected to be harvested from 43.6 million acres, 8 per cent below 1969.

Winter wheat production, now forecast at 1,112 million bushels, was 3 per cent below last year's crop, 10 per cent below the 1968 crop but 2 per cent above the July 1 forecast. Higher yield estimates in Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Washington, and Oregon more than offset lower yields in Texas, Idaho, Missouri and the eastern Corn Belt States. July weather favoured harvest in most areas. The U.S. yield was indicated at a record 33.7 bushels compared with 31.3 last year and 29.1 two years ago.

Harvest of wheat in Kansas was completed in early July, well ahead of usual as a result of excellent weather. The Kansas yield of 33 bushels per acre was record high and compares with last year's 31 bushels. Small grain harvest in Nebraska made rapid progress in all areas except the Panhandle. By mid-July 80 per cent of the crop had been harvested compared to 45 per cent normal. Damp conditions in the Panhandle slowed harvesting and some wheat still remains to be cut. Dry weather during July provided excellent harvest conditions in South Dakota and combining of winter wheat was virtually complete by August 1. Colorado harvest was 95 per cent complete, slightly ahead of last year. The crop was generally combined in good condition except for delays caused by frequent showers and heavy dews.

Yields in Missouri and the eastern Corn Belt were below earlier expectations. Harvest was virtually complete in Missouri and Illinois by mid-July, ahead of last year. The Ohio and Indiana harvests were nearly complete by the end of July, ahead of last year but about average.

Production prospects improved during July in Oregon and Washington where record yields are expected. Combining started in Washington in early July and was in full swing at the end of the month. Weather was generally favourable for harvest in Oregon. Prospects declined in Idaho. Harvest was started in most areas of the State by August 1. In Montana prospects were unchanged and combining was 10 per cent complete, several days ahead of last year.

Production of durum wheat is forecast at 48.1 million bushels, which is less than half of last year's record because of unfavourable weather and sharply reduced acreage. The prospective yield is 24 bushels per acre, nearly 8 bushels below last year and 1 bushel below the July 1 forecast.

Yield per acre estimates were below a month earlier in North Dakota, Minnesota, and South Dakota but above in Montana. Harvest is underway in South Dakota.

Spring wheat other than durum is now estimated at 197.5 million bushels, down 3 per cent from July 1 and 4 per cent below the 1969 crop. The indicated yield of 23.1 bushels per acre is 4.1 below last year and 3.0 bushels below 1968.

Timely rains in North Dakota relieved a mid-summer dry spell, helping the crop to overcome the effects of drought. Early planted fields and fields on light soils have short straw. The yield is forecast one bushel less than a month earlier. Conditions in Montana were more favourable and prospects increased during July. Harvest is underway in South Dakota, southern North Dakota and Minnesota, but except in Montana, maturity is behind last year.

Secretary Hardin
Postpones 1971-Crop
Wheat Marketing
Quota Referendum

Secretary of Agriculture Clifford M. Hardin announced on July 24, 1970 the postponement of a producers' referendum on 1971-crop wheat marketing quotas. The Secretary earlier, as required by current law, had proclaimed a July 27-31 mail referendum. A Congressional joint resolution, subsequently approved by the President, allows the referendum to be delayed to not later than October 15 or 30 days after Congress adjourns, whichever is sooner. The Congress currently is considering new farm legislation which would be effective for the 1971 crop of wheat.

USDA Announces
Two P.L. 480

Wheat Purchase Authorizations Issued to India. — On July 30, 1970 the U.S. Department of Agriculture announced issuance of 2 Public Law 480 purchase authorizations to India for a total of \$16,131,000 worth of U.S. Hard Red Winter and White wheat. Each of the authorizations (No. 39-736 and 39-737) were issued under a Title I sales agreement of February 20, 1967, as supplemented October 13, 1969. Authorization 39-736 provides for \$10,711,000 worth (about 200,000 metric tons or 7.34 million bushels) of Hard Red Winter wheat of the subclasses dark hard winter, hard winter, and yellow hard winter, U.S. No. 2 or better, in bulk. Authorization 39-737 provides for \$5,420,000 worth (about 100,000 metric tons or 3.67 million bushels) of White wheat of the subclasses hard white, soft white, white club, and western white, grade U.S. No. 2 or better, in bulk.

Flour Production

According to the Bureau of the Census, United States Department of Commerce, wheat flour production in the United States in June 1970 amounted to 20,044,000 hundredweight, averaging 911,000 hundredweight per working day. This compared with an average output per working day of 944,000 hundredweight last month and 988,000 hundredweight in June 1969. Wheat flour mills during June 1970 operated at 90.6 per cent of capacity, compared with 94.0 per cent and 98.2 per cent, respectively, for the previous month and the same month a year ago. Flour mills in June 1970 ground 44,265,000 bushels of wheat compared with 44,500,000 bushels the previous month and 46,457,000 bushels in June 1969.

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early. Some shrivelling of kernels has been reported from central areas but damage is not significant. Harvesting is now general in much of southern and east-central Alberta and in the Grande Prairie and Beaverlodge area. Harvesting should become general in other areas between now and early September. Threshing of barley is most advanced at 10 per cent with wheat and rapeseed at 7 per cent and oats and flax less than 5 per cent combined for the province. Pastures and hay crops are excellent and cattle should enter the winter in excellent condition.

ARGENTINE SITUATION

Wheat Supplies Higher than a Year Ago Estimated domestic supplies of wheat in Argentina for the 1969-70 (December-July) crop year are placed at some 276.8 million bushels, an increase of 8 per cent over the previous season's total of 255.3 million. The 1969 production estimated at 257.9 million bushels is 22 per cent above the 210.9 million produced in 1968, while the December 1, 1969 carryover stocks at 18.8 million are sharply below the 44.4 million at the same date a year ago, reflecting the increase in production which more than offset a decrease in carryover stocks. After making an allowance of 150.0 million bushels for anticipated domestic requirements, an estimated 126.8 million are available for export and for carryover in 1969-70, some 29 per cent more than the 98.6 million the previous year.

Exports Lower than Previous Year Preliminary exports of wheat and wheat flour in terms of wheat equivalent during December 1969 - July 1970 amounted to 60.5 million bushels, 15 per cent lower than the 71.4 million exported during the same eight months in 1968-69. The balance remaining on August 1, 1970 for export and for carryover was estimated at 66.3 million bushels, in contrast to the August 1, 1969 total of 27.2 million.

Argentine Wheat Supplies

Item	1968-69 ^r	1969-70 ^p
	thousand bushels	
Carryover at beginning of crop year (December 1) (1)	44.4	18.8
Production	210.9	257.9
Total estimated domestic supplies	255.3	276.8
Less estimated domestic requirements for crop year	156.7	150.0
Available for export and for carryover	98.6	126.8
<u>Deduct</u>		
Exports of wheat as grain, December - July	69.3	57.8
Exports of wheat flour in terms of wheat, December - July	2.1	2.7
Total exports of wheat and wheat flour	71.4	60.5
Balance on August 1 for export and for carryover	27.2	66.3

(1) Includes allowances for farm stocks.

^p Preliminary figures.

^r Revised figures.

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Weather and crops. — Rains are anxiously awaited throughout the wheat regions of Argentina. The principal wheat growing areas of Argentina in southwestern Buenos Aires are very dry indeed and conditions in the southeast are barely adequate. Some rains in northern regions in recent days may help the situation there, although they are late, particularly for that area.

In view of the much lower than average area planted to wheat and the very dry conditions, the outlook for the crop is very pessimistic even at this very early stage of the season. To aggravate the problem of the dry conditions, there have been reports of "pulgon verde" (green aphid) infestations in some areas.

The first official estimate of area sown to wheat in 1970-71 is only 4,740,000 hectares (11.7 million acres) compared with the preliminary estimate of 5,440,000 hectares (13.4 million acres) and 12.8 per cent less than the 6,238,700 hectares (15.4 million acres) in 1969-70. However, it is now becoming too late to plant wheat in most areas, even if conditions should improve, and farmers are tending to go out of wheat as much as possible in view of the poor crops and poor returns in recent years. The trade feels the preliminary estimate of area sown is probably fairly accurate.

Decree 7356/69 of November 13, 1969, established that wheat bought by the National Grain Board in 1969-70 would be used first to serve export commitments but that during the months of September, October and November 1970 the Board could sell any stocks they had available to local millers to a limit of 20 per cent of what the mill had processed in the preceding (1968-69) crop year.

The prices at which these sales will be made were established by a Decree of August 4 at 18.45 pesos per 100 kilos (\$1.29 per bushel) at the mill in greater Buenos Aires in September, 18.50 pesos (\$1.30 per bushel) in October and 18.61 (\$1.31 per bushel) in November. Prices in central and southern areas of Buenos Aires province will be 18.05 pesos (\$1.27 per bushel) in September, 18.13 (\$1.27 per bushel) in October and 18.21 (\$1.28 per bushel) in November. One change from the original decree is that in other areas of the country, generally in northern regions, where the crop is harvested earlier, the millers may purchase beginning in August at 18.58 pesos (\$1.30 per bushel), in September at 18.65 pesos (\$1.31 per bushel), and October at 18.73 pesos per 100 kilos (\$1.31 per bushel) at the station nearest the mill. Sales will not be made to these mills by the Board during November.

As with the original decree, the mills may purchase not more than 20 per cent of their total millings in all of 1968-69 during either of these three month periods.

Hard wheat prices f.o.r. Buenos Aires fell slightly from 18.00 to 17.60 pesos per 100 kilos (\$1.26 to \$1.23 per bushel) during July but firmed from 16.30 to 16.50 pesos (\$1.14 to \$1.16 per bushel) at Bahia Blanca. The only recent sale of note was of 20,000 metric tons (735,000 bushels) to Paraguay at a price of U\$S 58.20 (\$1.63 per bushel) per ton.

Prices on the Buenos Aires Futures Exchange at July were 17.50 pesos per 100 kilos (\$1.23 per bushel) for August delivery, 17.68 (\$1.24 per bushel) for September and 17.90 (\$1.26 per bushel) for October.

Durum prices fell from 17.00 to 16.30 pesos per 100 kilos (\$1.19 to \$1.14 per bushel) f.o.r. Buenos Aires during July, while quotations at Bahia Blanca weakened from 16.40 to 16.10 pesos (\$1.15 to \$1.13 per bushel).

Argentine Wheat Exports December - June 1969-70 and 1968-69

Destination	June		December - June	
	1969	1970	1968-69	1969-70
thousand bushels				
<u>Western Europe</u>				
EEC:				
Belgium	-	-	1,204	723
France	-	-	647	601
Germany, Federal Republic	-	37	37	276
Italy	-	686	11,744	13,095
Netherlands	-	299	2,720	959
Sub-totals	-	1,022	16,352	15,654
<u>Other Western Europe</u>				
Britain	481	2	4,844	401
Norway	-	-	486	-
Portugal	-	-	-	798
Switzerland	-	-	355	-
Sub-totals	481	2	5,685	1,199
Totals	481	1,024	22,037	16,853
<u>Africa</u>				
Algeria	-	-	869	537
Mozambique	-	-	426	-
Totals	-	-	1,295	537
<u>Asia</u>				
Cyprus	-	-	472	-
India	-	2,022	4,364	2,022
Japan	-	-	527	-
Lebanon	-	-	-	287
Turkey	-	-	456	-
Totals	-	2,022	5,819	2,309
<u>Western Hemisphere</u>				
Bolivia	-	-	239	-
Brazil	3,506	2,669	22,187	19,509
Chile	37	-	2,445	2,470
Paraguay	294	333	1,748	1,021
Peru	875	1,804	7,585	3,777
Totals	4,712	4,806	34,204	26,777
Totals, all countries	5,192	7,851	63,354	46,474

AUSTRALIAN SITUATION

Wheat Supplies at Record High Although wheat production in Australia declined considerably from the high level of 543.2 million bushels in 1968-69 to 398.1 million in 1969-70 this effect was more than offset by a very sharp increase in carryover stocks from 51.8 million bushels at December 1, 1968 to 266.7 million in 1969. As a result, total supplies of wheat in Australia for the 1969-70 crop year are estimated at a record level of 664.8 million bushels, compared with 595.0 million a year previous. After deducting some 90.0 million bushels for anticipated domestic requirements, an estimated 574.8 million are available for export and for carryover during 1969-70, some 13 per cent above the 510.4 million in 1968-69.

Exports Above Previous Year Combined exports of wheat as grain and wheat flour in terms of grain equivalent during the period December 1 - July 25 of the current Australian crop year amounted to 176.6 million bushels, an increase of 19 per cent over the 147.8 million exported during the corresponding eight months of the 1968-69 crop year. The balance remaining on July 26, 1970 for export and for carryover, at 398.2 million bushels, was 10 per cent more than the comparable 1969 total of 362.6 million.

Australian Wheat Supplies

Item	1968-69 ^r	1969-70 ^P
	million bushels	
Carryover, including flour as wheat, at beginning of crop year (December 1)	51.8	266.7
Production	543.2	398.1
Total estimated domestic supplies	595.0	664.8
Less estimated domestic requirements for crop year	84.6	90.0 ^r
Available for export and for carryover	510.4	574.8
<u>Deduct</u>		
Exports of wheat as grain, December 1 - July 25	136.6	164.1
Exports of wheat flour in terms of wheat December 1 - July 25	11.2	12.5
Total exports of wheat and wheat flour	147.8	176.6
Balance on July 26 for export and for carryover	362.6	398.2

^P Preliminary figures.

^r Revised figures.

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Seasonal conditions. — Queensland remains exceptionally dry and the situation is considered critical. Northern New South Wales requires substantial precipitation in the next few weeks if a crop is to be planted and harvested. Both areas produce Australia's premium wheat.

The remaining areas of New South Wales, Victoria and South Australia have relatively good prospects provided seasonal precipitation occurs. Reports from these regions indicate a need for a general rain but it can be assumed that the conditions are only slightly below normal.

Western Australia had sub-normal precipitation in July with some of the recently developed light land requiring rain. The general conditions are considered adequate for an average crop.

Although no official estimate of acreage or production has been made for the 1970-71 season, the initial expectations are for a reduction in acreage. The severe drought being experienced in Queensland and New South Wales has further reduced the expectations of the coming crop.

A survey by Reuters has estimated a total acreage of nearly 18 million acres — 5 million acres less than in 1969-70. The estimates are shown in the following table, together with last year's acreage and production. No estimate of wheat production during 1970-71 has been made as the conditions are extremely variable and a general rain could substantially change the situation. Recent speculations are in the vicinity of 200 million bushels but are likely to change in the next few months.

Estimated Acreage and Production 1969-70 and
Acreage and Quota Allocation for 1970-71

	1969-70		1970-71	
	Acreage(1)	Production(1)	Acreage(2)	Quota
	million acres	million bushels	million acres	million bushels
Queensland	1.3	16.0	0.5	36.0
N.S.W.	8.5	167.0	6.8	111.0
Victoria	3.4	85.0	2.0	52.0
South Australia ..	3.3	62.6	2.4	36.0
West Australia ...	6.9	67.0	6.0	83.0
Totals	23.4	397.6	17.7	318.0

(1) C.B.C.S. — excluding Tasmania and the A.C.T.

(2) Estimated by Reuters

Second largest wheat export year in sight. — The Chairman of the Australian Wheat Board, Dr. Allan R. Callaghan has forecast total wheat exports of 280 million bushels for 1969-70 — the second largest export total on record. The forecast implies an increase in sales of 40 million bushels over last year which is a 16 per cent improvement. The record for wheat exports was established in 1966-67 when 313.3 million bushels were sold. Mr. Callaghan said that local consumption wheat requirements are similar to last year when 56 million bushels were used for flour, breakfast foods, other products and stock feed wheat sales. The Bureau of Census

and Statistics has estimated a total domestic disposal of 55.1 million bushels in 1969-70 which is only 8.2 million bushels less than the four-year average 1965-66 - 1968-69. The total disposal of wheat is estimated conservatively at 330 million bushels which is, according to Dr. Callaghan, a much improved situation than twelve months ago.

The Chairman of the Australian Wheat Board commented that deliveries to the Board in 1970-71 might be well below the Australian quota of 318 million bushels. The quota system has been effective in controlling acreage and early seeding intentions are for some 18 million acres - about 5 million less than in 1969-70. Unfavourable weather in Queensland, Northern New South Wales and some regions in South Australia has dampened the prospects of a large crop in these areas with reductions in intended plantings as well as possible poor yields from the planted acreage. Prospects in Southern New South Wales, Victoria and Western Australia are good. Seasonal fluctuations and an initial cutback in acreage may add little to the high carryover at November 30, 1970, giving a rather brighter situation than at the beginning of the season.

The increase of sales may help South Australia and Victoria to dispose of some of the wheat held in storage. The recent sale to the U.A.R. will help ease the strain on storage space in both these States as the f.a.q. wheat from them will help make up the shipments.

According to press reports, an assessment of the immediate future for Australian rural industry, (made by the Department of Primary Industry for the Federal Cabinet forecasts) the annual disposal of wheat will be approximately 325 million bushels in the next five years. Production of wheat must be somewhat below this level if the existing surplus of wheat is to decrease; this could take place through a reduction in quotas or by adverse growing conditions.

Limit to wheat storage. - A limit of twice each State's base wheat quota on storages in each State has been recommended to the bulk handling authorities. The limitation of storage was agreed to at a July meeting called by the Australian Wheatgrowers' Federation with representatives of the Australian Wheat Board, State handling authorities and the Federation's executive.

The following resolution was carried:

"That this meeting of representatives of the Australian Wheatgrowers' Federation, State bulk grain authorities and the A.W.B. accept an upper limit of 200 per cent of each State's quota for bulk wheat storage to be built at this time. Each State to have the right to replace obsolete storage to this figure. No State, however, to make additional provision for the receipt and storage of over-quota wheat. This policy is to be reviewed from time to time in consideration of future developments in the industry."

The Federation's executives stated the purpose of the meeting was to alert authorities that the Australian Wheatgrowers' Federation wanted to keep down the cost of storages to growers.

The Australian Wheat Board, under this resolution, will not supply any special allocation of funds for emergency wheat storages as was done last year.

The limitation would provide a total storage capacity of 688 million bushels, divided between the States as follows: New South Wales 246 million bushels, Victoria 130 million bushels, Queensland 50 million bushels, South Australia 90 million bushels, and Western Australia 172 million bushels, using the 1969-70 quota figures.

The storage available in 1968-69 included facilities owned by Bulk Handling Authorities of 567,133,000 bushels and the Australian Wheat Board owned facilities with a capacity of 108,558,000 bushels. Flour mill facilities had a total storage space of 16,220,000 bushels, making a grand total of 691,911,000 bushels of country and port terminal storages.

The capacity of storage facilities by State during 1968-69 are provided in the following table:

Storage Facilities in Australia in 1968-69 by State and Ownership(1)

	A.W.B. Facilities	Bulk Handling Authorities' Facilities	Flour Mill Facilities	Total
	bushels			
N.S.W.	25,450	197,611	7,622	230,683
Victoria	35,592	89,555	4,086	129,233
South Australia .	1,980	75,600	1,857	79,437
West Australia ..	40,700	170,937	1,284	212,921
Queensland	4,836	32,370	1,127	38,333
Totals	108,558	566,073	15,976	690,607

(1) Source: Australia Wheat Board Annual Report - 1968-69. Tasmania is not included in the above table.

The table does not include the emergency storage facilities which were built in 1969-70 to accommodate the carryover from 1968-69 and the new crop in 1969-70, nor any new construction in 1969-70.

The total capacity of all facilities is greater than the proposed limit but the distribution of the facilities by State has not been equalized to the proposed limits.

The industry hopes that no new facilities will be built with the exception of the replacement of obsolete facilities.

Australian wheat to the Japanese Food Agency. The impact of the reduction in production and deliveries of prime hard wheat in Queensland in the 1969-70 season resulted in reduced exports to Japan. The changed pattern of wheat imports by the Japanese Food Agency in the year ended June, 1970, is thought to be temporary rather than a definite trend to purchase off-grade wheats. The Chairman of the Australian Wheat Board has stated that the Board was hoping to be able to supply the prime hard wheat from the up-coming wheat harvest and that Australia must pay close attention to the quality specifications of wheat destined for Japan.

Exports of Australian Wheat and Wheat Flour in Terms of Wheat
December 1 - July 25, 1969-70 and Corresponding Period 1968-69

Destination	Wheat		Wheat flour	
	1968-69	1969-70	1968-69	1969-70
thousand bushels				
<u>Western Europe</u>				
EEC:				
Germany, Federal Republic	1,453	30	—	—
Netherlands and I/T	6,106	1,732	—	—
Sub-totals	7,559	1,762	—	—
<u>Other Western Europe</u>				
Britain	21,089	25,973	254	249
Ireland	544	1,122	—	—
Malta	561	529	—	—
Norway	3,611	870	—	—
Sweden	52	94	—	—
Switzerland	212	137	—	—
Sub-totals	26,069	28,725	254	249
Totals	33,628	30,487	254	249
<u>Africa</u>				
Ethiopia	—	606	—	—
Malawi	—	—	266	298
Mauritius	—	—	507	481
Mozambique	—	2,171	—	—
Rhodesia	1,576	2,102	—	—
Sudan	—	4,330	—	—
Zambia	1,516	1,779	—	—
Others	8	153	282	482
Totals	3,100	11,141	1,055	1,261
<u>Asia</u>				
Aden	386	978	—	—
Aden and Aden I/T	—	—	137	85
Aden and Aden I/T Atta	—	—	58	52
Afghanistan	367	—	—	—
Arabian Gulf	—	—	131	136
Arabian Gulf Atta	—	—	509	693
Ceylon	938	1,517	4,146	4,566
China	34,433	59,675	—	—
Hong Kong	1,423	1,280	24	20
India	1,130	2,912	—	—
Indonesia	—	—	1,433	2,249
Iraq	—	2,046	—	—
Japan	32,799	21,026	—	—
Korea South	369	—	—	—
Korea North	—	3,558	—	—
Kuwait	1,506	2,026	—	—
Lebanon	3,685	845	—	—
Okinawa	—	131	—	—

Exports of Australian Wheat and Wheat Flour in Terms of Wheat
December 1 - July 25, 1969-70 and Corresponding Period 1968-69 - Con.

Destination	Wheat		Wheat flour	
	1968-69	1969-70	1968-69	1969-70
thousand bushels				
<u>Asia (concluded)</u>				
Pakistan	868	4,490	—	—
Philippines	655	—	108	121
Saudi Arabia	1,089	1,784	491	219
Taiwan	1,450	1,654	—	—
Thailand	1,167	1,265	145	155
Malaysia	5,500	7,068	—	—
Sabah	—	—	18	4
Sarawak	—	—	11	5
Singapore	2,370	5,107	1	1
U.A.R.-Egypt	—	358	—	—
Others	458	682	104	153
Totals	90,593	118,402	7,316	8,459
<u>Oceania</u>				
New Zealand	—	918	—	—
<u>Western Hemisphere</u>				
Chile	2,713	2,053	—	—
Colombia	1,293	—	—	—
Peru	5,233	1,052	—	23
West Indies Area	—	—	157	35
Totals	9,239	3,105	157	58
<u>Pacific Area and Sundries</u>				
Pacific Islands	39	47	2,317	2,375
Ships' Stores and Sundries	—	—	101	96
Totals	39	47	2,418	2,471
Totals, all countries	136,600	164,100	11,200	12,500

FRENCH SITUATION

Supplies Below Total estimated commercial domestic supplies of soft wheat in
Previous Year France for the crop year (August-July) 1969-70, consisting of the
August 1 carryover of 103.9 million bushels and anticipated
marketings of 406.0 million amount to some 509.9 million, slightly less than the
1968-69 total of 516.3 million. Imports of wheat during August-April 1969-70
amounted to 5.7 million bushels a decrease of 28 per cent from the previous year's
comparable total of 7.9 million. After deducting 233.3 million bushels for estimated
domestic use, including normal feed wheat requirements, the surplus available for
export and for carryover is placed at 282.3 million bushels compared with 295.7
million last year.

Exports Above Combined exports of wheat and wheat flour in terms of grain equivalent during the first eleven months of the 1969-70 crop year
Last Year amounted to 197.0 million bushels, and represented an increase of 2 per cent over the comparable August 1968-June 1969 total of 193.2 million. The balance of commercial supplies remaining on July 1, 1970 for export and for carryover amounted to 85.4 million compared with the July 1, 1969 total of 102.5 million bushels.

French Soft Wheat Supplies

Item	1968-69 ^r	1969-70 ^P
	million bushels	
Commercial carryover, August 1	93.2	103.9
Anticipated deliveries to Grain Board	423.1	406.0
Total estimated commercial domestic supplies ..	516.3	509.9
Imports, August-April	7.9	5.7
Total commercial supplies	524.1	515.7
Less domestic requirements for crop year	228.4	233.3
Available for export and for carryover	295.7	282.3
<u>Deduct</u>		
Exports of wheat, August-June	165.4	166.3
Exports of wheat flour, August-June	27.9	30.6
Total exports of wheat and wheat flour	193.2	197.0
Balance on July 1 for export and for carryover ..	102.5	85.4

^P Preliminary figures.

^r Revised figures.

The following account of the wheat situation in France has been extracted from a report from Mr. F.G. Beaudette, Agricultural Secretary, Canadian Embassy, Paris, under dates of August 11 and 21, 1970 and is reproduced with the permission of the Trade Commissioner Service, Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce. Where possible, conversions to Canadian measures have been made for the convenience of our readers.

Weather and crops. — Reflecting favourable weather during the two last weeks of May, the improvement of the situation of cereals already noticed has been confirmed. Furthermore, weather conditions in June have been favourable and consequently the delays expected due to the bad winter will be reduced and harvesting will start only about two weeks late.

Estimated Wheat Seeding at July 1

	<u>1969</u>	<u>1970</u>
	thousand acres	
<u>Soft wheat</u>		
Winter	9,112	8,307
Spring	571	652
Sub-totals	9,682	8,959
<u>Durum wheat</u>		
Winter	133	138
Spring	173	220
Sub-totals	306	358
Totals, winter and spring wheat	9,989	9,317

Evaluation of soft and durum wheat
production at July 1 for the
1970-71 season

	<u>1969-70</u>	<u>1970-71</u>
	thousand bushels	
<u>Soft wheat</u>		
Winter	492,140	437,209
Spring	29,468	32,775
Sub-totals	521,608	469,983
<u>Durum wheat</u>		
Winter	4,593	5,475
Spring	7,826	9,700
Sub-totals	12,419	15,175
Totals, winter and spring wheat	534,027	485,159

Farm Marketing at July 1

August - June

	<u>1968-69</u>	<u>1969-70</u>
	thousand bushels	
Soft wheat	421,923	405,279
Durum wheat	10,141	11,574

Exports at June 1. — Soft wheat exports during May amounted to 213,000 metric tons (7,826,000 bushels); 133,000 tons (4,887,000 bushels) destined to the E.E.C. partners and 80,000 tons (2,939,000 bushels) to third countries. In April only 119,000 tons (4,372,000 bushels) were destined to the E.E.C. and 172,000 tons (6,320,000 bushels) to third countries.

Total exports for the ten months elapsed since August 1969 amounted to 4,273,200 tons (157,011,000 bushels) of which 1,897,621 tons (69,725,000 bushels) destined to the E.E.C. partners. Last year at same date only 3,897,233 tons (143,197,000 bushels) were exported of which 2,003,008 tons (73,597,000 bushels) were destined to the E.E.C. We will note that this year more than 500,000 tons (18,372,000 bushels) of denatured wheat were exported to the E.E.C.

Trade. — On account of the devaluation which occurred during the month of August last year (11.11 per cent), the minimum price of wheat has been officially increased by 3 per cent. However, since the wheat producers did not find that this rise was sufficient, they have drawn up a mutual agreement plan with millers to settle contracts which will allow producers to sell their wheat at prices of 2 to 5 per cent higher than the minimum price guarantee. These contracts will be valid for the 1970-71 crop season and in the meantime they are destined to protect the wheat market against speculative trades.

Soft wheat destined to millers franco Rouen, basis August, September, October: 50.75 francs per 100 kilos (\$2.57 per bushel), compared with 46.50 francs (\$2.36 per bushel) in the same period of 1969.

Characteristics of the 1969-1970 wheat crop. — Exports of flour have increased 15 per cent in comparison with last campaign; denatured soft wheat destined for animal feed consumption registered an 80 per cent increase in comparison with the 1968-69 crop; wheat stocks at August 1 can be evaluated at 900,000 tons (33,069,000 bushels) i.e. a little more than last year at same date which amounted to 830,000 tons (30,497,000 bushels).

CALENDAR OF WHEAT EVENTS

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| July | 23 | The United States Department of Agriculture reported that stocks of all wheat, in the United States at July 1, 1970 were 880 million bushels. |
| | 29 | The Canadian Wheat Board in its Instructions to the Trade No. 9 announced the Initial Payment Prices for wheat, oats and barley during the 1970-71 crop year. |
| August | 6 | According to a report published by Mr. S.E. Kidd, Assistant Commercial Secretary (Agriculture) for Canada, Buenos Aires, in view of the much lower than average area planted to wheat in Argentina and the very dry conditions, the outlook for the crop is very pessimistic even at this very early stage of the season. |
| | 12 | A report received from Mr. R.A. Groundwater, Assistant Commercial Secretary for Canada, Melbourne, stated that in Australia no official estimate has been made for the wheat acreage or production in 1970-71. A reuter survey predicts 17.7 million acres but this could change if drought conditions in northern New South Wales and Queensland continue. |

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