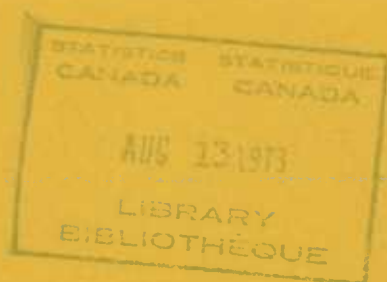


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WORLD WHEAT SITUATION

World Wheat Exports Remain at Record Level

Total exports of wheat and wheat flour in terms of wheat from the four traditional major exporters during the August-June period of the current crop year have amounted to 1,956.2 million bushels, 43 per cent above both the 1,367.6 million bushels exported during the same eleven months in 1971-72 and the ten-year (1961-62 - 1970-71) average shipments for the period of some 1,371.8 million bushels. As indicated in the accompanying table, based on the Canadian crop year, exports from Canada, United States and Argentina were higher this year than last, while shipments from Australia were below those of the previous year.

Shipments from the four traditional major wheat exporters during August 1972 - June 1973, with comparisons, appear in the accompanying table.

Exports of Wheat and Flour in Terms of Wheat, August 1972 - June 1973 with Comparisons

August - June	Canada	Australia	United States	Argentina	Total	France
million bushels						
1950-51	209.1	119.7	346.4	87.5	762.7	
1951-52	312.9	86.4	446.1	24.1	869.5	
1952-53	341.4	94.8	296.7	29.3	762.2	
1953-54	234.3	57.0	190.7	101.2	583.2	
1954-55	231.9	88.6	253.2	123.0	696.7	
1955-56	284.1	96.3	317.8	103.3	801.5	
1956-57	241.9	115.6	507.2	93.2	957.9	
1957-58	294.6	57.2	370.0	70.2	792.0	
1958-59	274.7	71.5	416.3	95.7	858.2	
1959-60	259.7	103.9	470.1	67.5	901.2	
1960-61	324.4	170.2	618.4	60.7	1,173.7	
1961-62	336.2	206.2	659.2	85.2	1,286.8	
1962-63	308.6	163.6	593.6	56.9	1,122.7	
1963-64	529.2	259.8	794.4	99.4	1,682.8	
1964-65	372.3	225.2	665.5	150.7	1,413.7	
1965-66	519.5	179.8	798.0	265.4	1,762.7	
1966-67	479.2	243.5	672.6	98.9	1,494.2	103.9
1967-68	292.1	233.9	702.2	62.3	1,290.5	145.9
1968-69	276.1	189.4	491.1	85.9	1,042.5	193.2
1969-70	300.7	248.1	557.0	71.7	1,177.5	198.2 ^r
1970-71 ^r	378.4	327.0	686.2	52.7	1,444.3	117.6
1971-72 ^r	447.4	293.2	579.8	47.2	1,367.6	202.0
1972-73 ^p	517.6	198.7	1,117.2	122.7	1,956.2	256.4(1)

(1) August - May only.

World Wheat Supplies Down from a Year Ago

Latest available estimates indicate that total supplies of wheat remaining on or about July 1, 1973 in the four traditional major exporting countries for export and for carryover, at the end of their respective crop years amounted to 964.3 million bushels, 43 per cent below the 1,703.1 million available a year ago. Declines were registered in Canada, Australia and United States from those of the previous year while an increase occurred in Argentina. Supplies at July 1, 1973, in millions of bushels, were held as follows, with last year's comparable figures in brackets: Canada, 445.5(646.1); Australia, 52.6 (147.3); United States, 402.3 (864.8); and Argentina, 63.9 (44.9).

Exports of Wheat and Flour in Terms of Wheat, August 1972-June 1973
with Comparisons

August — June	Canada	Australia	United States	Argentina	Total	France
million metric tons						
1950-51	5,691	3,258	9,428	2,381	20,758	
1951-52	8,516	2,351	12,141	656	23,664	
1952-53	9,291	2,580	8,075	797	20,744	
1953-54	6,377	1,551	5,190	2,754	15,872	
1954-55	6,311	2,411	6,891	3,348	18,961	
1955-56	7,732	2,621	8,649	2,811	21,814	
1956-57	6,584	3,146	13,804	2,537	26,070	
1957-58	8,018	1,557	10,070	1,911	21,555	
1958-59	7,476	1,946	11,330	2,605	23,357	
1959-60	7,068	2,828	12,794	1,837	24,527	
1960-61	8,829	4,632	16,830	1,652	31,943	
1961-62	9,150	5,612	17,941	2,319	35,021	
1962-63	8,399	4,453	16,155	1,549	30,555	
1963-64	14,403	7,071	21,620	2,705	45,799	
1964-65	10,132	6,129	18,112	4,101	38,475	
1965-66	14,139	4,893	21,718	7,223	47,973	
1966-67	13,042	6,627	18,305	2,692	40,666	2,828
1967-68	7,950	6,366	19,138	1,696	35,122	3,971
1968-69	7,514	5,155	13,366	2,338	28,373	5,258
1969-70	8,184	6,752	15,159	1,951	32,047	5,394 ^f
1970-71 ^r	10,298	8,900	18,676	1,434	39,308	3,201
1971-72 ^r	12,176	7,980	15,780	1,285	37,220	5,498
1972-73 ^p	14,087	5,408	30,406	3,339	53,240	6,978

(1) August — May only.

CANADIAN SITUATION

Supplies Down from Year Ago Reflecting a 20 per cent decline in carryover stocks which more than offset a slight increase in production, total estimated supplies of Canadian wheat for the 1972-73 (August-July) crop year are placed at 1,123.0 million bushels consisting of the August 1 carryover of 589.8 million and the 1972 crop, placed at 533.3 million bushels. Supplies of the size indicated represent a decrease of 11 per cent from the 1971-72 total of 1,263.7 million. After making an allowance of 160.0 million bushels for anticipated domestic requirements, supplies available for export and for carryover during 1972-73 amount to 963.0 million bushels, 12 per cent less than the 1,093.5 million in 1971-72.

August-June Exports Continue at Record Level Exports of wheat and flour in terms of wheat equivalent during the first eleven months of the current crop year amounted to 517.6 million bushels 16 per cent above the August 1971-June 1972 total of 447.4 million and 36 per cent larger than the ten-year (1961-62 — 1970-71) average for the period of 379.2 million bushels. This year's exports consisted of 495.8 million bushels of wheat in bulk, 0.4 million of seed and 21.3 million of flour in terms of wheat. During the comparable period last year

these figures were 423.1 million of wheat in bulk, 0.9 million of seed and 23.3 million of flour in wheat equivalent. The balance remaining on July 1, 1973 for export and for carryover amounted to 445.5 million bushels, 31 per cent below the July 1, 1972 total of 646.1 million.

Canadian Wheat Supplies

Item	1971-72 ^F	1972-73 ^P
	million bushels	
Carryover in North America at beginning of crop year (August 1)	734.2	589.8
Production	529.6	533.3
Total estimated supplies	1,263.7	1,123.0
Less estimated domestic requirements for crop year	170.2	160.0
Available for export and for carryover	1,093.5	963.0
<u>Deduct</u>		
Exports of wheat in bulk, August-June (1)	423.1	495.8
Exports of seed wheat, August-June (2)	0.9	0.4
Total exports of wheat as grain	424.0	496.2
Exports of wheat flour in terms of wheat, August - June (2)	23.3	21.3
Total exports of wheat and wheat flour	447.4	517.6
Balance on July 1 for export and for carryover	646.1	445.5

(1) As reported by the Canadian Grain Commission.

(2) Customs returns, 1971-72 adjusted for time lag.

Marketings, Disappearance and Visible Supplies

Total primary deliveries of wheat (both east and west) up to July 11 of the current crop year have amounted to 549.5 million bushels compared with 473.4 million marketed during the same period of the previous year. Some 70.2 million bushels of this year's total were delivered during the five weeks June 7 to July 11, 1973. During the same period the volume of Canadian wheat entering domestic and export channels amounted to 72.9 million bushels. As a result, the total visible supply of Canadian wheat decreased from 212.0 million at June 6, 1973 to a level of 209.2 million at July 11, 1973.

The total visible supply of Canadian wheat at July 11 this year represented declines of 28 per cent and 37 per cent, respectively, from the 289.1 million of the previous year and the 333.8 million of two years ago. Primary elevator stocks, amounting to 101.9 million bushels, were 38 per cent less than the 1972 comparable total of 164.5 million and 55 per cent below the 1971 figure of 227.3 million. Wheat stocks at interior terminals at July 11, 1973, totalled 0.5 million bushels,

considerably lower than both the 4.1 million of a year ago and the 6.9 million of two years ago. The 19.0 million bushels "in transit rail" (western division) this year, were 15 per cent less than the 22.4 million in 1972 but registered a 7 per cent increase over the 17.6 million in 1971. Supplies at Lakehead, totalling some 36.9 million bushels, were 29 per cent above the 28.5 million of the previous year and more than double the 17.0 million of two years ago. The 9.0 million bushels "in transit lake" were lower than both the 10.9 million in this position in 1972 and the 10.3 million of 1971. The 11.1 million bushels in Bay, Lake and Upper St. Lawrence ports were 53 per cent less than the 23.7 million of a year ago but increased by 9 per cent over the 10.2 million of two years ago. Supplies in Lower St. Lawrence and Maritime ports at July 11, 1973, at 16.8 million bushels, registered decreases from both the comparable 1972 figure of 20.7 million and the 27.9 million of 1971. The 7.8 million bushels in West Coast ports, (Vancouver-New Westminster, Prince Rupert and Victoria) were above both the 7.5 million at July 12, 1972 and the 7.7 million at July 14, 1971.

June 1973 Exports
of Wheat and Flour Total
53.2 Million Bushels

Combined exports of wheat in bulk, seed wheat and wheat flour in terms of grain equivalent, during June 1973 amounted to 53.2 million bushels, one per cent less than the 53.8 million of the previous month, 10 per cent

lower than the 48.3 million of June 1972 but 24 per cent above the ten-year (1962-71) average for the month of June of 43.0 million. Exports of wheat in bulk (as reported by the Canadian Grain Commission) during June 1973 totalled 51.2 million bushels, while slightly below the May 1973 total of 51.9 million, registered increases of 12 per cent and 27 per cent, respectively, over the 45.5 million of the previous year and the ten-year average of 40.4 million. It is estimated that the equivalent of 2.0 million bushels of wheat was exported in the form of flour during June 1973, some 8 per cent above the previous month's figure of 1.8 million. These exports were 27 per cent less than the June 1972 figure of 2.7 million and 22 per cent lower than the ten-year average of 2.6 million bushels.

Cumulative exports of wheat in bulk during the August - June period of the current crop year amounted to 495.8 million bushels, 17 per cent above the 423.1 million shipped during the first eleven months of 1971-72 and 42 per cent more than the ten-year average for the period of 348.2 million. The People's Republic of China and U.S.S.R. (Russia) were the leading markets for wheat in bulk during the first eleven months of the current crop year with shipments amounting to 146.8 million and 140.1 million bushels, respectively, and accounted for 30 per cent and 28 per cent of the August - June 1972-73 total. During the same months of 1971-72 shipments to the People's Republic of China and U.S.S.R. (Russia) were 97.8 million bushels (23 per cent of total) and 96.5 million bushels (23 per cent of total), respectively. Other principal importers of Canadian wheat for the first eleven months of the current crop year with figures for the same period of the preceding crop year in brackets, were as follows, in millions of bushels: Japan, 45.3(45.8); Britain, 40.3(42.7); India, 16.2(23.0); Italy, 12.2(13.6); Brazil, 10.0(10.3); Germany West, 7.9(9.3); Cuba, 7.2(6.7); Bangladesh, 6.3(3.1); Algeria, 6.3(9.4); Pakistan, 6.3(2.7); and Peru, 6.1(5.4).

Cumulative exports of seed wheat during August - June of the current crop year, based on Canadian Customs returns, amounted to 0.4 million bushels as against last year's August - June total (adjusted to remove time lag) of 0.9 million.

Cumulative exports of wheat flour during the first eleven months of the 1972-73 crop year, based on Customs returns, were the equivalent of 21.3 million

bushels of wheat, 9 per cent less than the adjusted August - June 1971-72 total of 23.3 million and 27 per cent below the 10-year average for the period of 29.3 million.

Exports of wheat flour by countries for August - June 1972-73 based on Customs data, are not available at this time.

Initial Payment Prices
Wheat, Oats and Barley
1973-74 Crop Year

The Canadian Wheat Board in its Instructions to the Trade No. 4 for the 1973-74 crop year under the date of July 26, 1973 announced the following initial payments effective on and after August 1, 1973:

- | | | |
|--------|---|--|
| Wheat | - | One dollar and seventy-six cents (\$1.76) per bushel basis the grade No. One C. W. Red Spring in store Thunder Bay or Vancouver. |
| Oats | - | Eighty cents (80¢) per bushel basis the grade No. 2 Canada Western in store Thunder Bay or Vancouver. |
| Barley | - | One dollar and twenty cents (\$1.20) per bushel basis the grade No. 2 Canada Western Six Row in store Thunder Bay or Vancouver. |

Crop Conditions in
the Prairie Provinces

The Telegraphic Crop Report published by Statistics Canada under date of July 11, 1973 summarized crop conditions in the Prairie Provinces as follows:

Crops in Manitoba are progressing well in all districts throughout the province with most cereals in the shotblade to early headed stage. More rain is needed in the Shoal Lake, Minnedosa and Foxwarren areas. Moisture conditions remain favourable in the remainder of the province. Heavy rain, hail and wind have damaged crops in the eastern and central districts. Weed growth is above normal and spraying is almost completed. Haying is general with reported yields fair to good.

Crop conditions in Saskatchewan are generally good throughout the province with the exception of the extreme southwest where lack of moisture is causing deterioration of crops. Elsewhere, moisture conditions range from good to excellent and excessive in the northeast. Cereals are heading or have headed and early sown rapeseed is in full bloom. Haying operations are in full swing with an excellent crop in the eastern part of the province but only a fair crop in the west.

Continuing dry weather in the southwest corner of Alberta is causing some crop deterioration with conditions becoming critical in some areas. The south-central part of the province is also dry and concern is felt for crop prospects there with rain needed immediately. Pastures and hay yields are less than average in the dry areas. In all other parts of the province however, moisture supplies are adequate to plentiful with some reports of excessively wet fields. Cereals are in the shotblade with early planted grain headed and rapeseed is in bloom. Haying operations are in progress although activity has been delayed by showery weather in some districts.

Advanced Preliminary
Estimates of Specified
Crop and Summerfallow
Acreages Prairie Provinces
1973

Preliminary estimates for the Prairie Provinces of acreages seeded to all types of wheat, durum wheat, oats for all purposes, barley, rye, flaxseed, rapeseed and acreages in summerfallow in 1973 appear in the accompanying table. All of these estimates are subject to change upon the completion of the tabulation of the 1973 acreage survey returns. The 1973 acreage estimates are based on returns from Statistics Canada's annual June survey. Agricultural statisticians in each of the provinces have co-operated in determining the estimates.

Farmers in the Prairie Provinces have seeded larger acreages of wheat, oats, spring rye and flaxseed, this year than last and are devoting less land to summerfallow. The acreage seeded to all types of wheat in the Prairie Provinces in 1973 reached 24,200,000 acres, some 16 per cent larger than the area seeded in 1972 but 4 per cent less than the ten-year 1962-71 average of 25,298,400 acres. Durum wheat acreage included in the above total, and estimated at 2,550,000 decreased some 19 per cent from the previous year. Combined acreage in oats and barley, the major feed grains at 18,000,000 acres increased 2 per cent over the previous year's level and 25 per cent above the ten-year average. Oat acreage at 6,300,000 is up 11 per cent from last year but down 7 per cent from the ten-year average. The acreage sown to barley, at 11,700,000 is down 2 per cent from last year but up 53 per cent from the ten-year average. All rye acreage at 582,000 is up slightly from the 1972 figure of 581,500 acres. The acreage planted to rapeseed decreased 4 per cent to 3,150,000 acres from 3,270,000 in 1972, but is substantially above the ten-year average. The area sown to flaxseed registered an increase of 10 per cent over last year to 1,450,000 acres, but decreased by 24 per cent from the ten-year average. Land summerfallowed in 1973 at 25,500,000 acres is some 12 per cent less than the previous year and 8 per cent less than the ten-year 1962-71 average.

Preliminary Estimates of Crop and Summerfallow Acreages, 1973
with Comparisons — Prairie Provinces

Crop	Average 1962-71	1972	1973	1973 as % of 1972
		acres		per cent
Wheat (incl. durum)	25,298,400	20,800,000	24,200,000	116
Oats (incl. oats for hay)	6,762,800	5,700,000	6,300,000	111
Barley	7,632,900	11,900,000	11,700,000	98
Fall rye	607,350	540,000	540,000	100
Spring rye	87,760	41,500	42,000	101
All rye	695,110	581,500	582,000	100
Flaxseed	1,897,100	1,320,000 ^r	1,450,000	110
Rapeseed	1,864,020	3,270,000	3,150,000	96
Summerfallow	27,806,900	29,000,000	25,500,000	88

Preliminary estimates of durum wheat acreage in the Prairie Provinces at 2.6 million acres indicate a 19 per cent decrease in acreage this year compared with the 1972 acreage of 3.2 million acres.

Preliminary Estimate of Durum Wheat Acreages, 1973
with Comparisons — Prairie Provinces

Province	1971	1972	1973	1973 as % of 1972
	acres			per cent
Manitoba	141,000	160,000	100,000	62
Saskatchewan	1,889,000	2,700,000	2,200,000	81
Alberta	242,000	300,000	250,000	83
Prairie Provinces ..	2,272,000	3,160,000	2,550,000	81

GENERAL QUOTAS 1972-73 AS AT TUESDAY, JULY 3, 1973

As of this date, all grains in all blocks are on an open quota.

These quotas also apply to the Special Quotas, but in cases of selected oats and barley a permit for each car to be shipped is still required.

Although the open quota is in effect, the following quotas are still effective pending their cancellation.

All other wheat	E
Feeding types of wheat	E
Hercules Durum	C
Other Durum	C
Soft White Spring	C D
Alberta Red Winter	D
Barley	E

In the event of a cancellation of an open quota in any block, the prior quota is still effective.

Lake Shipments of Canadian Grain

Total shipments of the six major grains out of Lakehead terminals from the opening of navigation to July 11 this year amounted to 167.6 million bushels, 22 per cent below the 215.4 million shipped during the same period in 1972. The 1973 season of navigation opened on March 30 while the 1972 season opened on April 14. Shipments of wheat, at 106.5 million bushels were slightly above the 1972 figure of 104.8 million and accounted for 64 per cent of the total.

Lake Shipments of Canadian Grain from the Opening of Navigation to July 11, 1973 and to Approximately the Same date 1961 to 1972

Year	Wheat	Oats	Barley	Rye	Flaxseed	Rapeseed	Total
thousand bushels							
1961	118,317	11,608	18,823	1,388	2,665	—	152,801
1962	58,041	6,494	10,475	666	2,367	—	78,043
1963	69,921	18,052	9,288	1,117	2,379	—	100,756
1964	144,012	10,114	13,465	1,993	3,663	—	173,247
1965	94,888	17,560	13,248	1,948	3,872	559	132,075
1966	155,576	13,352	16,015	3,774	5,569	555	194,841
1967	130,129	14,207	32,394	2,207	4,152	530	183,619
1968	77,050	7,786	8,492	567	2,930	255	97,082
1969	63,158	5,341	14,992	630	3,652	689	88,462
1970	95,372	10,748	41,307	1,820	6,070	2,989	158,306
1971	104,569	11,011	59,536	1,993	6,994	8,358	192,462
1972	104,770	10,668	85,654	1,487	5,701	7,083	215,363
1973	106,488	7,461	41,679	700	5,284	5,994	167,607

Advances Issued Under the Prairie Grain Advance Payments Act

Requests are received concerning the level of cash advances issued and outstanding. This information from the Canadian Wheat Board will be carried in the Wheat Review as a regular feature.

Advances issued August 1, 1972 to July 20, 1973

9,092 advances totalling \$20,754,104

Outstanding advances on July 20, 1973

Issued in 1972-73 3,801,911
 Issued in 1971-72 999,913
 Issued in 1970-71 and prior 2,876,866

Total outstanding advances \$ 7,678,690

Farmers' Marketings Deliveries of wheat from farms in the Prairie Provinces up to July 11, of the current crop year amounted to 542.2 million bushels, 12 per cent more than the August 1, 1971 - July 12, 1972 total of 485.9 million and sharply above the ten-year (1961-62 - 1970-71) average for the period of 410.1 million bushels.

Farmers' Marketings(1) of Wheat in the Prairie Provinces 1972-73

Week ending		Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	Total	Last year
		bushels				
August	9, 1972 ..	42,377	4,417,684	565,087	5,025,148	326,897
	16	65,502	3,240,124	720,057	4,025,683	1,417,294
	23	2,312,276	12,854,269	2,027,265	17,193,810	6,021,182
	30	2,144,810	12,057,959	2,491,864	16,694,633	11,225,271
September	6	3,771,234	12,655,807	3,861,109	20,288,150	14,207,202
	13	2,477,887	13,750,919	2,443,335	18,672,141	20,602,711
	20	2,250,234	14,585,168	2,953,055	19,788,457	16,273,398
	27	2,505,119	7,931,203	676,102	11,112,424	11,005,033
October	4	1,453,277	5,702,012	988,696	8,143,985	14,697,112
	11	3,317,158	12,158,066	4,525,485	20,000,709	14,015,558
	18	2,718,563	16,029,444	8,283,174	27,031,181	11,202,592
	25	3,516,807	17,401,959	5,388,919	26,307,685	14,661,756
November	1	1,994,979	11,104,724	3,283,589	16,383,292	15,705,604
	8	2,624,750	11,681,742	3,700,069	18,006,561	11,700,501
	15	2,090,495	9,543,908	4,228,717	15,863,120	10,704,380
	22	2,437,171	15,055,689	4,671,135	22,163,995	9,878,742
December	29	1,656,074	9,854,879	4,011,232	15,522,185	11,753,638
	6	954,278	6,619,715	2,580,398	10,154,391	9,918,005
	13	413,530	2,543,779	1,594,746	4,552,055	5,462,190
	20	847,236	6,067,670	1,823,961	8,738,867	18,280,948
January	3, 1973 ..	1,242,106	12,202,021	4,530,064	17,974,191	20,912,942
	10	507,591	7,613,613	1,648,207	9,769,411	12,835,935
	17	166,841	2,196,108	1,831,152	4,194,101	5,120,984
	24	448,949	6,143,828	2,243,952	8,836,729	2,439,799
February	31	472,916	4,274,492	2,580,133	7,327,541	1,659,185
	7	326,211	5,798,245	2,514,071	8,638,527	6,926,040
	14	97,887	2,919,868	754,147	3,771,902	4,384,240
	21	87,469	629,063	615,020	1,331,552	5,141,666
March	28	249,007	2,642,761	1,516,297	4,408,065	3,003,758
	7	196,530	2,295,864	1,894,013	4,386,407	2,078,928
	14	933,773	5,420,591	2,802,520	9,156,884	1,852,866
	21	799,211	4,216,286	1,825,123	6,840,620	5,249,893
April	28	660,775	3,384,274	1,570,291	5,615,340	4,821,552
	4	553,777	2,482,725	1,152,667	4,189,169	4,420,666
	11	762,386	5,201,957	994,832	6,959,175	6,388,167
	18	1,291,932	14,094,345	1,922,683	17,308,960	6,038,986
May	25	620,565	4,729,780	779,748	6,130,093	11,177,350
	2	810,363	4,964,298	1,409,475	7,184,136	8,863,995
	9	663,013	9,009,143	1,927,040	11,599,196	9,269,115
	16	354,231	4,527,494	1,238,669	6,120,394	7,258,392
June	23	220,263	2,080,434	885,109	3,185,806	6,526,839
	30	357,849	2,666,858	943,157	3,967,864	6,876,785
	6	474,955	5,395,016	1,611,008	7,480,979	16,061,934
	13	1,363,999	10,974,934	1,940,240	14,279,173	23,654,040
July	20	1,663,682	10,675,685	1,963,971	14,303,338	24,404,156
	27	1,174,783	11,012,697	1,808,989	13,996,469	18,143,536
	4	1,202,637	9,847,267	1,536,158	12,586,062	15,241,859
	11	1,119,145	12,271,046	1,607,600	14,997,791	16,126,580
Totals		58,416,603	374,927,413	108,864,331	542,208,347	485,940,202
Average similar period: 1961-62 - 1970-71 ..		49,105,409	260,459,366	100,549,341	410,114,116	

(1) Includes receipts at primary, process and interior terminal elevators.

Visible Supply of Canadian Wheat, July 11, 1973
Compared with Approximately the Same Date, 1971 and 1972

Position	1971	1972	1973
thousand bushels			
Primary elevators - Manitoba	24,834	22,353	9,186
Saskatchewan	141,414	108,087	70,107
Alberta	61,019	34,037	22,585
Sub-totals	227,267	164,477	101,878
Process elevators	4,995	4,488	4,184
Interior terminals	6,895	4,089	501
Vancouver-New Westminster	6,884	5,971	5,715
Victoria	327	763	622
Prince Rupert	494	736	1,421
Churchill	2,997	2,027	1,836
Thunder Bay	17,040	28,549	36,852
In transit rail (western division)	17,649	22,368	18,958
Bay, Lake and Upper St. Lawrence ports	10,226	23,731	11,135
Lower St. Lawrence and Maritime ports	27,915	20,658	16,790
In transit lake	10,304	10,946	8,997
In transit rail (eastern division)	833	250	384
Totals	333,826	289,053	209,273

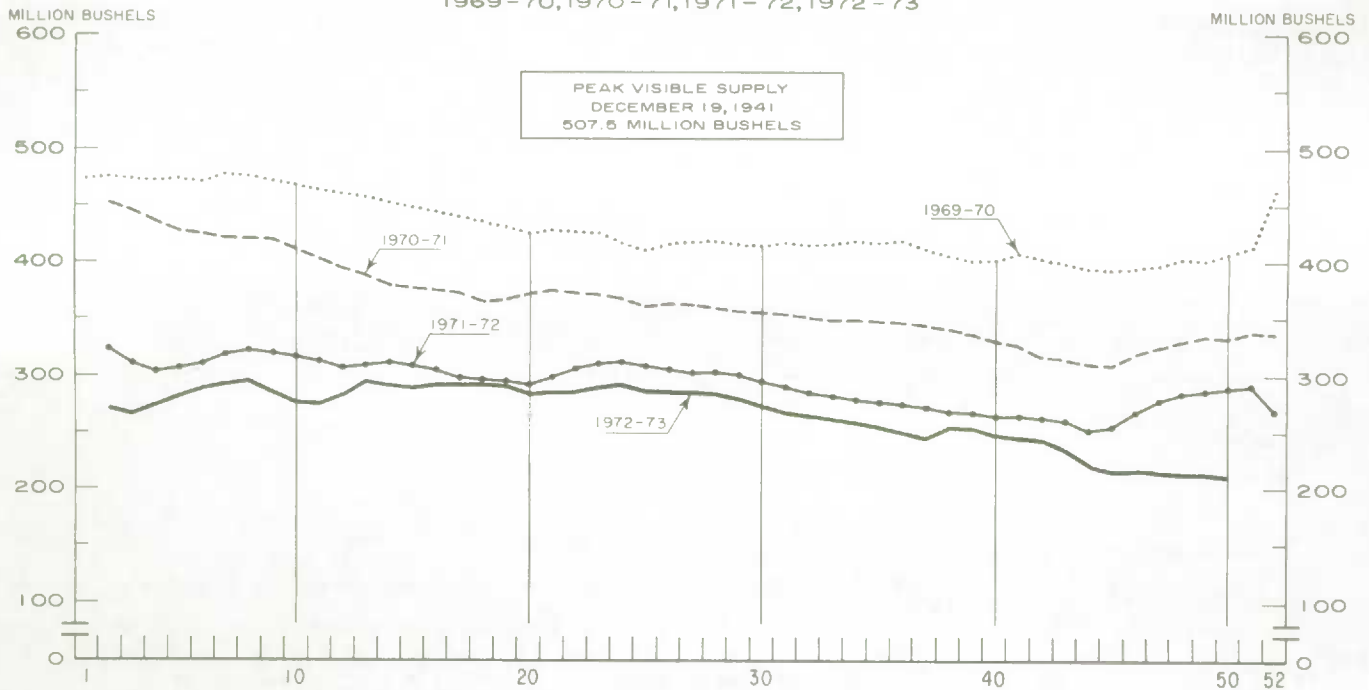
Grading of Wheat Inspected, August 1972 - June 1973 with Comparisons

Grade	Crop year			August - June		
	Average		1971-72	1971-72 ^r		1972-73
	1956-67	1970-71		per cent	cars	per cent
1 C.W. Red Spring	47.7	60.1	154,307	60.4	154,292	57.2
2 C.W. Red Spring	25.9	19.8	49,872	19.5	41,304	15.3
3 C.W. Red Spring	3.3	1.8	4,773	1.9	20,970	7.8
1 Canada Utility	—	—	—	—	64	(1)
2 Canada Utility	—	—	—	—	14	(1)
3 Canada Utility	0.6	0.2	486	0.2	1,502	0.6
Others Red Spring	14.6	4.4	10,669	4.2	20,580	7.6
C.W. White Spring	0.2	0.3	922	0.4	1,005	0.4
C.W. Mixed Wheat	0.1	0.1	263	0.1	112	(1)
Alberta Winter	0.9	0.7	1,509	0.6	1,502	0.6
Nos. 1-6 C.W. Amber Durum	5.9	12.3	31,880	12.5	27,448	10.2
Other C.W. Amber Durum	0.9	0.3	806	0.3	791	0.3
Totals	100.0	100.0	255,487	100.0	269,584	100.0
Gross bushels (approx.)				513,399,000		570,957,000

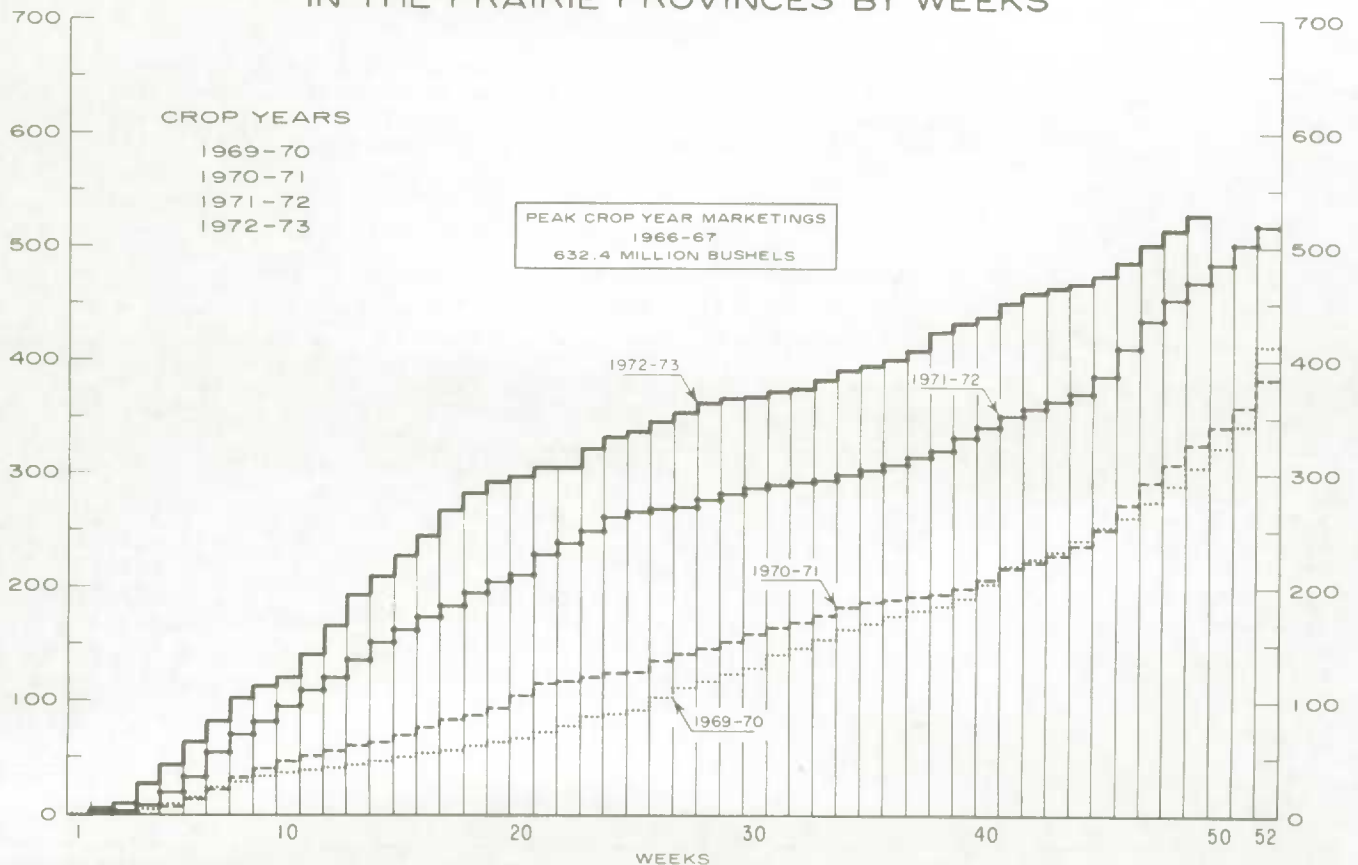
(1) Less than .05 per cent.

WEEKLY VISIBLE SUPPLY OF CANADIAN WHEAT

1969-70, 1970-71, 1971-72, 1972-73



CUMULATIVE RECORD OF WHEAT MARKETINGS IN THE PRAIRIE PROVINCES BY WEEKS



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

Wheat Shipments to
the United States

Total shipments of wheat to the United States, either for re-export or retention for domestic use, from the beginning of the current crop year to July 11, 1973 amounted to 7,400 bushels in contrast to 95,200 at the comparable date in 1971-72.

Wheat Shipments(1) to the United States by Destination
August 1, 1972 - July 11, 1973 with Comparisons

Destination	1970-71	1971-72	1972-73
bushels			
<u>By Vessel</u>			
Hawaii	-	95,200	-
<u>By Rail</u>			
U.S.A. domestic points	2,878	-	7,378
Totals, shipments.....	2,878	95,200	7,378

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

Rail Shipments of
Wheat to Maritime
Ports

Rail shipments of wheat to Maritime ports from Bay, Lake and Upper St. Lawrence ports during August - June of the current crop year amounted to 31,517,000 bushels compared with the 30,416,000 bushels during the first eleven months of 1971-72.

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

Origin of shipments	August 1, 1971 - June 30, 1972	August 1, 1972 - June 30, 1973
bushels		
Port McNicoll	9,168,589	9,856,289
Midland, Tiffin	9,609,773	11,035,516
Collingwood	-	309,120
Owen Sound	3,125,164	3,304,775
Goderich	2,307,941	2,932,778
Sarnia	3,421,141	4,078,966
Port Colborne	598,841	-
Prescott	579,762	-
Kingston	1,604,316	-
Totals	30,415,527	31,517,444

Rail Shipments of Wheat from Thunder Bay 1969-70 — 1972-73

Month	1969-70	1970-71	1971-72	1972-73
bushels				
August	132,953	169,566	181,419	208,597
September	134,054	244,549	195,721	193,397
October	149,076	176,450	128,382	97,166
November	126,319	178,523	158,083	313,262
December	179,384	330,120	193,204	339,487
January	272,300	525,019	1,420,522	625,164
February	403,541	552,926	2,392,713	1,026,705
March	298,335	418,387	1,728,504	650,493
April	260,918	407,206	260,435	251,045
May	311,200	187,347	189,234	223,640
June	221,999	156,548	223,019	210,071
July	293,745	200,415	141,665	
Totals	2,783,824	3,547,055	7,212,901	

Distribution of Rail Shipments of Wheat from Thunder Bay, June 1973

Grade	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario	U.S.A
bushels						
C.W. Red Spring ...	2,000	34,000	100,000	7,667	—	—
Feed Grades	—	2,000	11,667	23,359	12,000	7,378
Durum	—	—	—	4,000	6,000	—
Totals	2,000	36,000	111,667	35,026	18,000	7,378

Overseas Exports of Canadian Grain by Ports of Loading,
August 1, 1972 — July 11, 1973, with Comparisons

Port	Wheat(1)	Durum wheat(1)	Oats(1)	Barley	Rye	Flaxseed	Rapeseed
thousand bushels							
<u>Pacific Seaboard</u>							
Van. — New Westminster ..	184,377	15,423	150	47,664	6,226	7,180	34,117
Victoria	9,193	—	—	—	—	—	—
Prince Rupert	28,420	—	—	—	—	—	—
Churchill	16,281	—	137	8,855	—	—	—
Thunder Bay Direct	3,592	701	2,139	2,315	1,474	11,176	13,157
Sarnia Direct	173	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kingston Direct	552	—	—	—	—	—	—
Prescott Direct	560	—	—	—	—	—	—
<u>St. Lawrence</u>							
Montreal	37,628	20,325	—	12,870	—	—	—
Sorel	18,540	1,574	—	6,481	—	—	—
Trois-Rivières	21,851	2,121	—	6,663	—	—	—
Quebec	23,197	349	—	15,791	68	607	928
Baie Comeau	44,879	4,769	—	20,127	88	—	2,989
Port Cartier	39,827	6,498	—	17,535	—	—	—
<u>Maritime Ports</u>							
Saint John	2,070	—	—	196	—	—	—
West Saint John	16,571	98	—	475	—	—	—
Halifax	14,551	439	—	—	—	—	—
Totals	462,262	52,298	2,426	138,971	7,856	18,962	51,189
August 1, 1971-July 12, 1972	365,083	52,457	5,688	175,991	8,918	23,904	37,688

(1) Excluding seed.

Shipments Under
Feed Grain
Assistance Regulations

Freight assistance shipments of wheat from the Prairie Provinces to Eastern Canada and British Columbia during August 1972 - June 1973, amounted to 28,910,000 bushels, 27 per cent above the 22,838,000 shipped during the comparable period of 1971-72. The bulk of the shipments during the months under review went to destination in Quebec with that province accounting for 52 per cent of the total, for both years.

Provincial Distribution of Wheat Shipments under the Feed Grain Assistance Regulations August - June 1972-73 and 1971-72

Month	Western wheat							
	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	B.C.	Total
thousand bushels								
August 1972 ...	3	31	252	120	1,515	280	385	2,586
September	3	13	132	62	1,397	341	465	2,414
October	197	16	261	128	1,579	413	265	2,860
November	35	18	465	89	1,770	415	386	3,178
December	166	32	122	121	1,314	391	284	2,430
January 1973 ..	60	9	229	157	1,261	479	452	2,646
February	3	16	356	126	986	541	511	2,541
March	13	30	305	188	1,952	654	902	4,055
April	89	—	16	2	387	101	38	633
May	5	54	259	123	1,431	636	264	2,774
June	77	9	218	94	1,524	555	316	2,793
Totals	652	229	2,616	1,212	15,115	4,818	4,268	28,910
Same months								
1971-72	658	252	1,976	923	11,842	3,292	3,895	22,838

Millfeed shipments under the Feed Grain Assistance Regulations indicate the movement of 353,381 tons during August - June 1972-73. Data on the August 1971 - June 1972 shipments of millfeeds place the eleven-month total at 373,040 tons. The greater portion of the millfeed shipments during the months under review went to destinations in Quebec and Ontario.

Provincial Distribution of Millfeed Shipments under the Feed Grain Assistance Regulations August - June 1972-73 and 1971-72

Province	August - June	
	1971-72	1972-73
tons		
Newfoundland	2,508	1,353
Prince Edward Island	2,732	2,249
Nova Scotia	8,835	9,788
New Brunswick	8,996	5,529
Quebec	184,924	174,257
Ontario	136,002	130,986
British Columbia	29,043	29,219
Totals	373,040	353,381

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>1970-71</u>					
August.....	44,765	103	44,868	699	45,567
September.....	35,194	120	35,315	2,306	37,620
October.....	44,412	84	44,496	3,543	48,039
November.....	33,307	71	33,378	2,126	35,504
December.....	18,016	43	18,059	1,444	19,502
January.....	18,882	2	18,884	2,725	21,609
February.....	23,334	77	23,411	2,421	25,832
March.....	20,293	93	20,386	1,900	22,286
April.....	20,951	157	21,108	1,861	22,969
May.....	47,631	49	47,681	1,834	49,515
June.....	47,904	71	47,975	1,994	49,969
July.....	54,750	100	54,850	1,994	56,844
Totals.....	409,440	971	410,410	24,846	435,257
<u>1971-72</u>					
August.....	48,530	2	48,533	1,983	50,516
September.....	44,520	336	44,856	3,086	47,942
October.....	59,356	34	59,389	2,105	61,494
November.....	52,948	7	52,956	1,899	54,855
December.....	32,041	109	32,149	2,709	34,859
January.....	21,627	73	21,700	1,352	23,052
February.....	23,420	45	23,466	1,431	24,897
March.....	22,108	179	22,287	2,297	24,584
April.....	33,798	46	33,844	1,840	35,684
May.....	39,255	17	39,273	1,916	41,188
June.....	45,540	43	45,583	2,724	48,307
July.....	54,940	73	55,013	1,373	56,386
Totals.....	478,084	965	479,048	24,716	503,764
<u>1972-73(4)</u>					
August.....	40,353	3	40,357	2,661	43,018
September.....	64,576	37	64,613	2,237	66,850
October.....	68,856	13	68,869	1,701	70,571
November.....	65,571	3	65,574	1,713	67,288
December.....	33,280	111	33,391	2,081	35,472
January.....	26,858	3	26,861	1,197	28,058
February.....	28,635	52	28,687	2,272	30,959
March.....	33,313	61	33,374	2,099	35,473
April.....	31,283	11	31,294	1,525	32,819
May ^r	51,926	43	51,969	1,849	53,817
June.....	51,188	40	51,228	2,000	53,228
Totals.....	495,840	377	496,217	21,336	517,553

(1) Export clearances including shipments to the United States compiled by the Economics and Statistics Division of the Canadian Grain Commission.

(2) Compiled from Canadian Customs returns, 1970-71 and 1971-72 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) Subject to revision.

Exports of Canadian Wheat(1) by Destination June 1973 and 1972

Destination	Wheat (except durum)	Durum wheat	All wheat	
			June 1973	June 1972
bushels				
<u>Wester Europe</u>				
EEC:				
Belgium and Luxembourg	300,370	164,900	465,270	456,033
Britain(2)	4,845,080	-	4,845,080	-
France	73,488	-	73,488	20,576
Germany, West	-	863,923	863,923	783,137
Italy	425,600	323,750	749,350	636,756
Netherlands	-	19,690	19,690	641,456
Sub-totals	5,644,538	1,372,263	7,016,801	2,537,958
<u>Other Western Europe:</u>				
Britain(2)	-	-	-	4,086,319
Switzerland	6,606	296,427	303,033	565,794
Sub-totals	6,606	296,427	303,033	4,652,113
Totals	5,651,144	1,668,690	7,319,834	7,190,071
<u>Eastern Europe</u>				
Albania	926,352	-	926,352	830,637
U.S.S.R. (Russia)	15,739,784	796,544	16,536,328	9,499,753
Totals	16,666,136	796,544	17,462,680	10,330,390
<u>Africa</u>				
Algeria	-	2,224,104	2,224,104	1,399,615
Ghana	419,411	-	419,411	285,557
Ivory Coast	-	-	-	15,752
Nigeria	151,200	-	151,200	1,103,869
Tunisia	-	-	-	1,376,005
Zambia	595,765	-	595,765	-
Totals	1,166,376	2,224,104	3,390,480	4,180,798
<u>Asia</u>				
Bangladesh	-	-	-	2,014,077
Hong Kong	-	-	-	195,664
India	56,242	-	56,242	-
Japan	4,571,829	-	4,571,829	3,331,213
Lebanon	-	236,000	236,000	-
Malaysia	-	-	-	147,467
Pakistan	658,225	-	658,225	-
Peoples' Democratic Rep of Yemen	14,697	-	14,697	-
Peoples Republic of China	13,798,846	-	13,798,846	15,417,773
Singapore	-	-	-	173,600
Syria	-	-	-	843,733
Totals	19,099,839	236,000	19,335,839	22,123,527
<u>Western Hemisphere</u>				
Barbados	30	-	30	-
Brazil	1,708,339	-	1,708,339	-
Cuba	347,196	161,280	508,476	762,412
Haiti	330,400	-	330,400	273,953
Jamaica	798	-	798	997
Peru	1,123,733	-	1,123,733	603,785
Venezuela	-	-	-	73,578
United States	7,378	-	7,378	-
Totals	3,517,874	161,280	3,679,154	1,714,725
Sub-totals, all countries.	46,101,369	5,086,618	51,187,987	45,539,511
Seed wheat(3)	-	-	40,000	44,738
Totals, all countries ..	46,101,369	5,086,618	51,227,987	45,584,249

(1) Overseas clearances as reported by the Economics and Statistics Division of the Canadian Grain Commission, for all countries, excluding seed wheat.

(2) Commencing January 1, 1973, Britain became a member of the European Economic Community.

(3) Compiled from Canadian Customs returns, 1971-72 adjusted for time lag.

Cumulative Exports of Canadian Wheat(1) by Destination

Destination	August - June 1972-73			Total same period last year ^r
	Wheat (except durum)	Durum Wheat	Total Wheat	
		bushels		
<u>Western Europe</u>				
EEC:				
Belgium and Luxembourg ..	4,201,387	830,293	5,031,680	4,351,443
Britain(2)	19,784,742r	88,107	19,872,849r	—
France	387,298	—	387,298	367,439
Germany, West	2,320,670	5,624,167	7,944,837	9,265,246
Italy	9,003,723r	3,237,083	12,240,806r	13,569,013
Netherlands	2,815,217r	1,746,896	4,562,113r	9,273,011
Sub-totals	38,513,037r	11,526,546	50,039,583r	36,826,152
<u>Other Western Europe:</u>				
Austria	—	84,515	84,515	—
Britain(2)	19,838,716	560,194	20,398,910	42,711,486
Finland	146,982	—	146,982	—
Ireland	1,283,389	588,000	1,871,389	536,635
Malta	326,811	—	326,811	945,168
Norway	—	—	—	1,086,400
Portugal	—	492,800	492,800	—
Sweden	—	44,095	44,095	55,090
Switzerland	1,074,733r	1,508,206	2,582,939r	2,720,112
Sub-totals	22,670,631r	3,277,810	25,948,441r	48,054,891
Totals	61,183,668	14,804,356	75,988,024	84,881,043
<u>Eastern Europe</u>				
Albania	2,302,782	—	2,302,782	1,638,792
Czechoslovakia	—	—	—	584,752
Poland	—	1,875,999	1,875,999	1,813,147
U.S.S.R. (Russia)	128,756,675	11,326,116	140,082,791	96,485,800
Totals	131,059,457	13,202,115	144,261,572	100,522,491
<u>Africa</u>				
Algeria	—	6,312,778	6,312,778	9,421,026
Dahomey	41,961	—	41,961	—
Ghana	1,738,824	—	1,738,824	2,248,045
Ivory Coast	49,860	—	49,860	15,752
Mauritania	—	—	—	100,668
Morocco	767,876	—	767,876	1,082,976
Nigeria	3,372,784	—	3,372,784	2,600,564
South Africa	—	—	—	234,746
Tunisia	—	1,194,550	1,194,550	1,899,507
Zambia	595,765	—	595,765	—
Totals	6,567,070	7,507,328	14,074,398	17,603,284
<u>Asia</u>				
Afghanistan	517,927	—	517,927	468,140
Bangladesh	3,628,278	2,690,764	6,319,042	3,145,853

For footnotes see end of table.

Cumulative Exports of Canadian Wheat(1) by Destination — Concluded

Destination	August — June 1972-73			Total same period last year ^r
	Wheat (except durum)	Durum Wheat	Total Wheat	
bushels				
<u>Asia — Concluded</u>				
Burma	643,008	—	643,008	—
Hong Kong	647,733	—	647,733	891,147
India	16,127,051	98,593	16,225,644	22,971,818
Indonesia	1,810,395	—	1,810,395	1,386,300
Israel	624,348	—	624,348	—
Japan	45,313,585	—	45,313,585	45,818,006
Korea, North	—	—	—	1,180,666
Lebanon	37,334	2,073,170	2,110,504	—
Malaysia	630,186	—	630,186	530,324
Pakistan	6,036,841	260,660	6,297,501	2,717,900
People's Democratic Republic of Yemen	38,580	—	38,580	—
People's Republic of China	137,552,154	9,201,286	146,753,440	97,790,715
Philippines	5,914,574	19,600	5,934,174	5,835,150
Singapore	729,120	—	729,120	411,227
Syria	846,655	—	846,655	7,489,619
Taiwan	—	—	—	2,762,853
Thailand	—	—	—	200,361
Totals	221,097,769	14,344,073	235,441,842	193,600,079
<u>Oceania</u>				
United States Oceania ...	—	—	—	143,114
<u>Western Hemisphere</u>				
Barbados	170	—	170	56
Brazil	9,978,379	—	9,978,379	10,283,242
Costa Rica	—	—	—	397,522
Cuba	6,795,168	390,465	7,185,633	6,680,444
Dominican Republic	—	—	—	308,661
Guatemala	—	37,333	37,333	—
Haiti	2,025,233	—	2,025,233	1,537,128
Jamaica	419,309	—	419,309	1,338,830
Peru	6,054,711	—	6,054,711	5,400,875
St. Lucia	167	—	167	—
Venezuela	365,960	—	365,960	351,736
United States (3)	7,378	—	7,378	95,200
Totals	25,646,475	427,798	26,074,273	26,393,694
Sub-totals, all countries	445,554,439	50,285,670	495,840,109	423,143,705
Seed wheat (4)			377,087	910,833
Totals, all countries ...	445,554,439	50,285,670	496,217,196	424,054,538

(1) Overseas clearances as reported by the Economics and Statistics Division of the Canadian Grain Commission, for all countries except the United States. Excluding seed wheat. (2) Commencing January 1, 1973 Britain became a member of the European Economic Community. (3) Compiled from returns of Canadian elevator licensees and shippers and advice from American grain correspondents. (4) Compiled from Canadian Customs returns, 1971-72 adjusted for time lag, 1972-73 preliminary.

Customs Exports of Canadian Wheat Flour by Countries of Consignment

Destination	February	May	August - May	
	1973(1)	1973(2)	1972-73(2)	1971-72(1)
			bushels	
Western Europe				
EEC:				
Belgium and Luxembourg	-	-	265	955
Britain(3)	24,065	16,342	388,783	-
Germany, West	-	-	3,178	2,663
Ireland(3)	1,803	-	1,803	-
Netherlands	-	-	-	46
Sub-totals	25,868	16,342	394,029	3,664
Other Western Europe:				
Britain(3)	-	-	776,883	1,366,841
Denmark	-	-	253	-
Gibraltar	-	-	3,461	5,281
Greece	23,959	7,604	58,742	41,520
Iceland	-	-	7,220	36,439
Ireland(3)	-	-	1,803	3,606
Norway	-	-	230	115
Portugal	-	3,680	31,855	34,769
Sub-totals	23,959	11,284	880,447	1,488,571
Totals	49,827	27,626	1,274,476	1,492,235
Africa				
Algeria	-	-	-	562,299
Cameroon	-	-	-	117,921
Dahomey	-	-	18,490	28,980
French Africa, n.e.s.	19,442	-	103,951	409,421
Gambia, The	2,300	-	32,372	42,550
Ghana	-	-	-	846
Guinea	6,592	-	6,702	52,861
Ivory Coast	929	-	10,704	20,240
Liberia	21,855	-	161,784	186,333
Malawi	-	3,432	12,455	27,566
Mozambique	-	-	11,295	17,162
Nigeria	-	-	-	9,945
Portuguese Africa, n.e.s.	7,360	9,518	145,926	110,752
Sierra Leone	-	-	6,564	4,938
Somalia	-	-	118,372	55,205
Sudan	-	65,918	268,741	17,121
Tanzania	-	-	460	1,610
Togo	3,473	-	121,166	123,429
U.A.R.	-	-	1,119,691	1,814,987
Zaire	-	4,634	26,082	47,927
Totals	61,951	83,502	2,164,755	3,652,093
Asia				
Afghanistan	-	-	966	2,484
Bahrain	-	-	74	200
Burma	-	-	344,726	-
Cyprus	-	-	1,221	23,977
Emirates, U.U.A.	-	-	8,053	4,490
Hong Kong	18,630	14,375	146,595	168,245

For footnotes see end of table.

Customs Exports of Canadian Wheat Flour by Countries of Consignment - concluded

Destination	February	May	August - May	
	1973(1)	1973(2)	1972-73(2)	1971-72(1)
			bushels	
<u>Asia - Concluded</u>				
Iran	-	-	1,969	4,646
Japan	513	1,598	10,720	8,671
Jordan	472	-	58,461	444
Lebanon	-	87,402	148,260	112,357
Peoples' Democratic Republic of Yemen ..	-	-	65,916	4,614
Philippines	-	-	10,090	-
Qatar	-	110	556	1,481
Saudi Arabia	1,610	-	114,837	195,116
Singapore	1,150	-	4,600	4,600
Sri-Lanka	-	112,127	1,920,435	1,506,590
Syria	-	-	-	67,027
Taiwan	-	-	63	-
Thailand	-	8,050	77,683	80,141
Totals	22,375	223,662	2,915,225	2,185,083
<u>Oceania</u>				
Australia	-	-	1,803	92
British Oceania n.e.s.	-	460	2,760	460
Fiji	-	690	1,840	1,380
United States Oceania	-	725	1,760	748
Totals	-	1,875	8,163	2,680
<u>Western Hemisphere</u>				
Bahamas	19,451	14,331	170,020	170,869
Barbados	36,846	47,872	330,285	279,142
Bermuda	4,301	8,763	115,324	103,051
British Honduras	3,960	-	20,525	30,907
Cuba(4)	1,819,631	1,099,747	10,460,696	11,314,119
Dominican Republic	-	-	161,971	4,710
French West Indies	-	1,150	2,813	3,114
Guyana	4,062	2,760	18,954	14,679
Haiti	971	97,520	310,799	-
Honduras	285	-	4,719	5,387
Jamaica	6,146	66,217	147,616	100,878
Leeward and Windward Is.	45,241	95,576	657,464	659,195
Netherlands Antilles	7,266	1,698	24,293	51,398
Panama	-	-	-	676
St. Pierre and Miquelon	908	1,518	22,273	23,821
Surinam	-	-	22,462	23,129
Trinidad and Tobago	76,753	73,899	462,537	469,949
Venezuela	-	-	368	421
United States	1,150	920	39,910	31,027
Totals	2,026,971	1,511,971	12,973,029	13,286,472
Totals, all countries	2,161,124	1,848,636	19,335,648	20,618,563

(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.

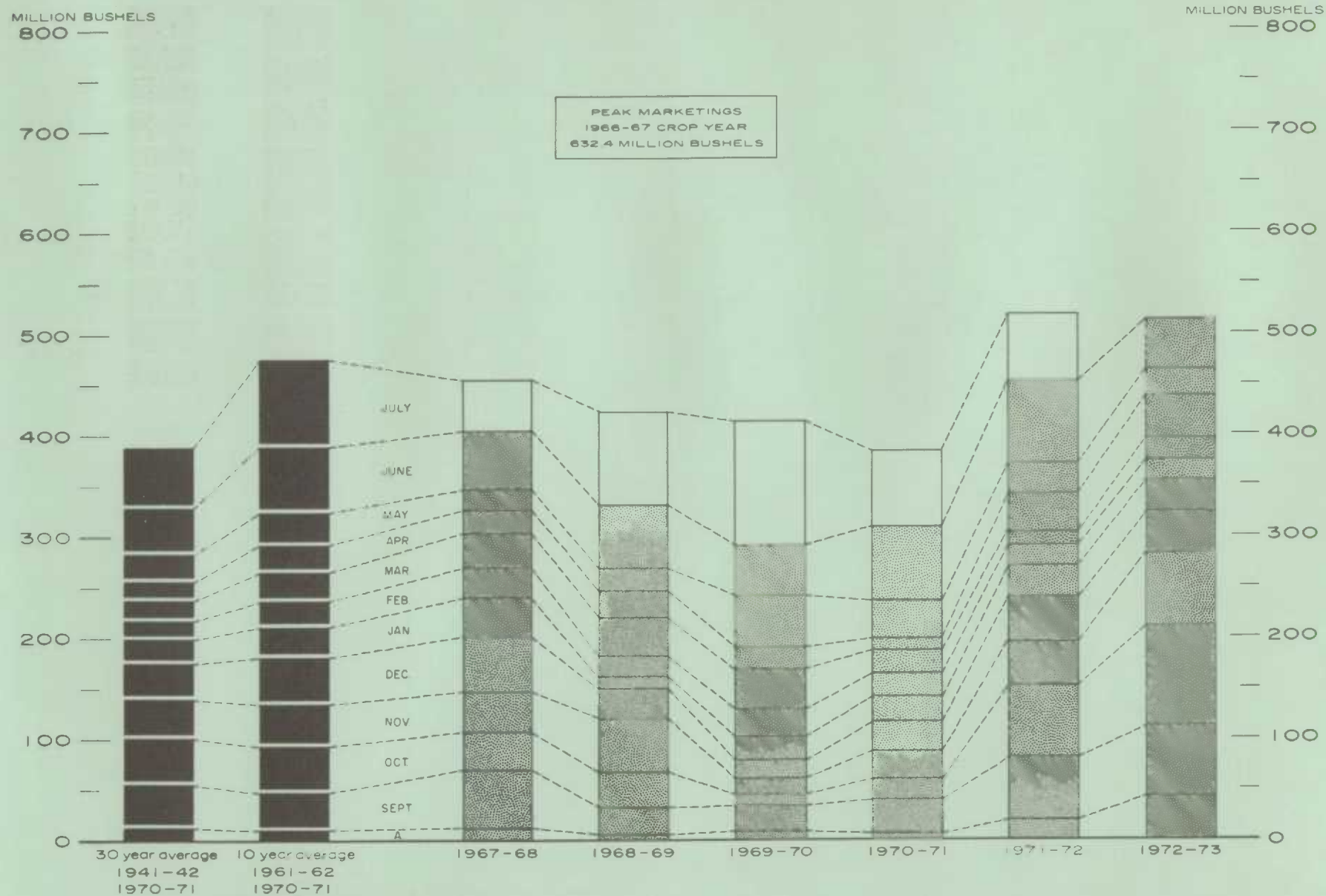
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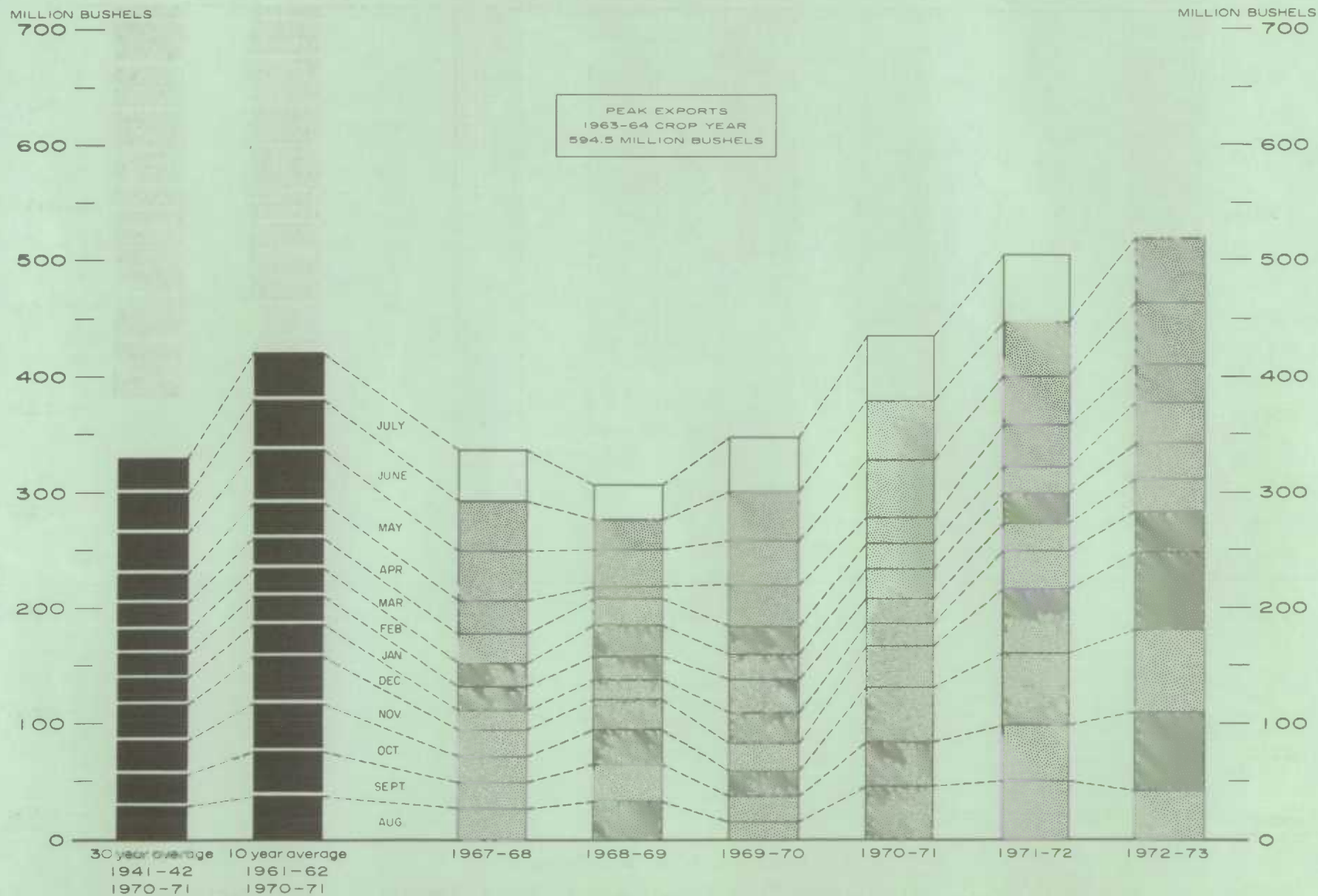
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Note: Data for June wheat flour exports not available.

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



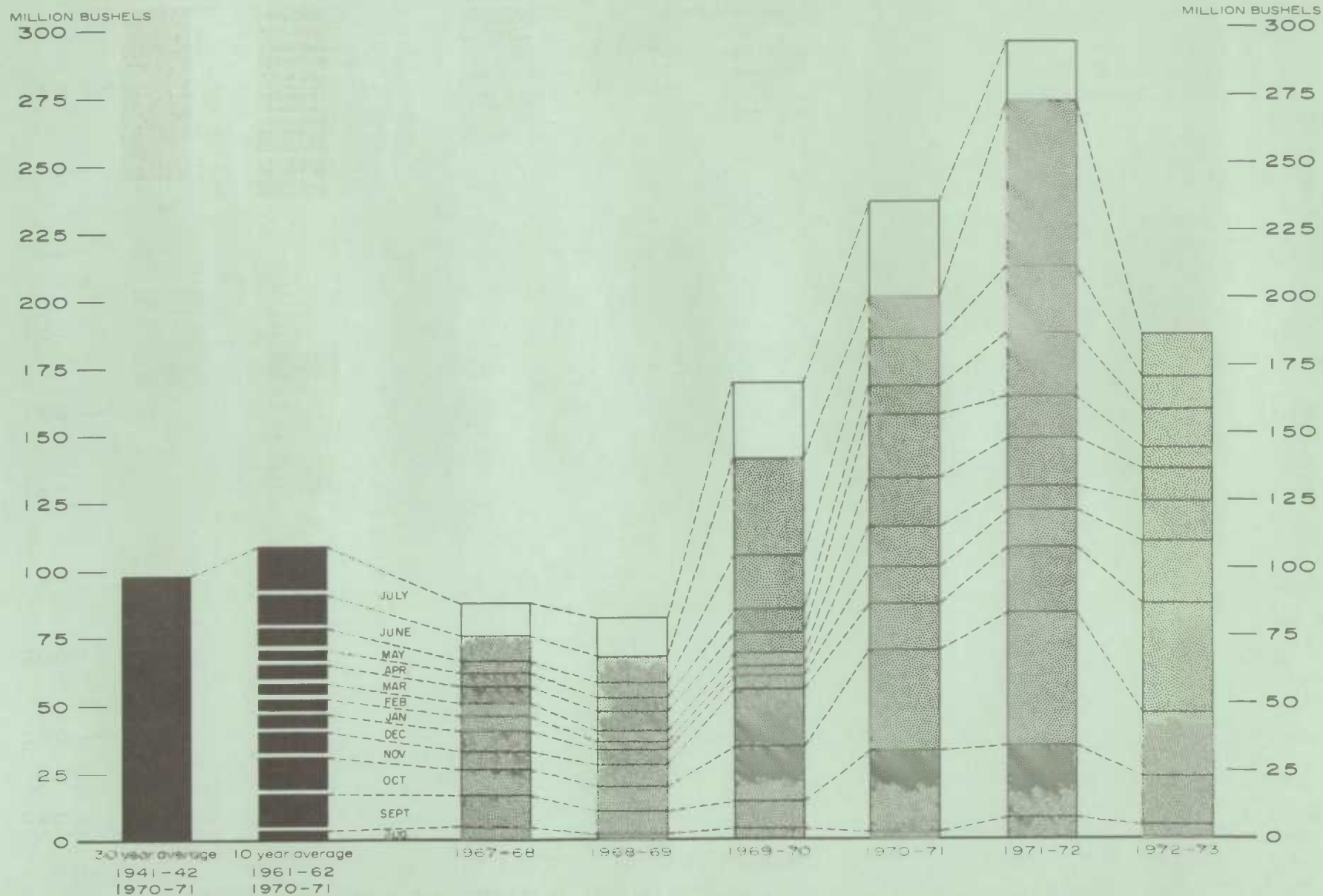
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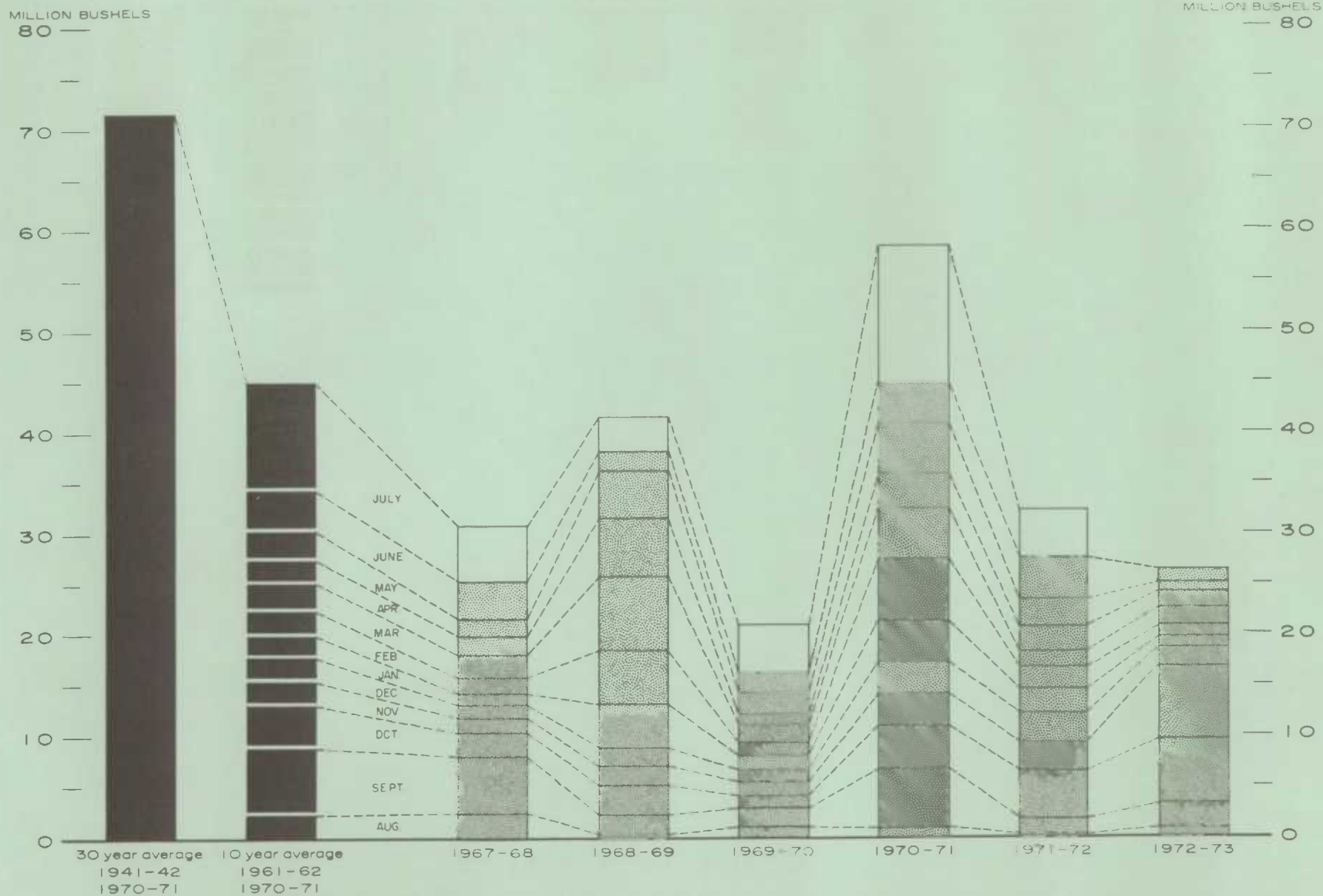
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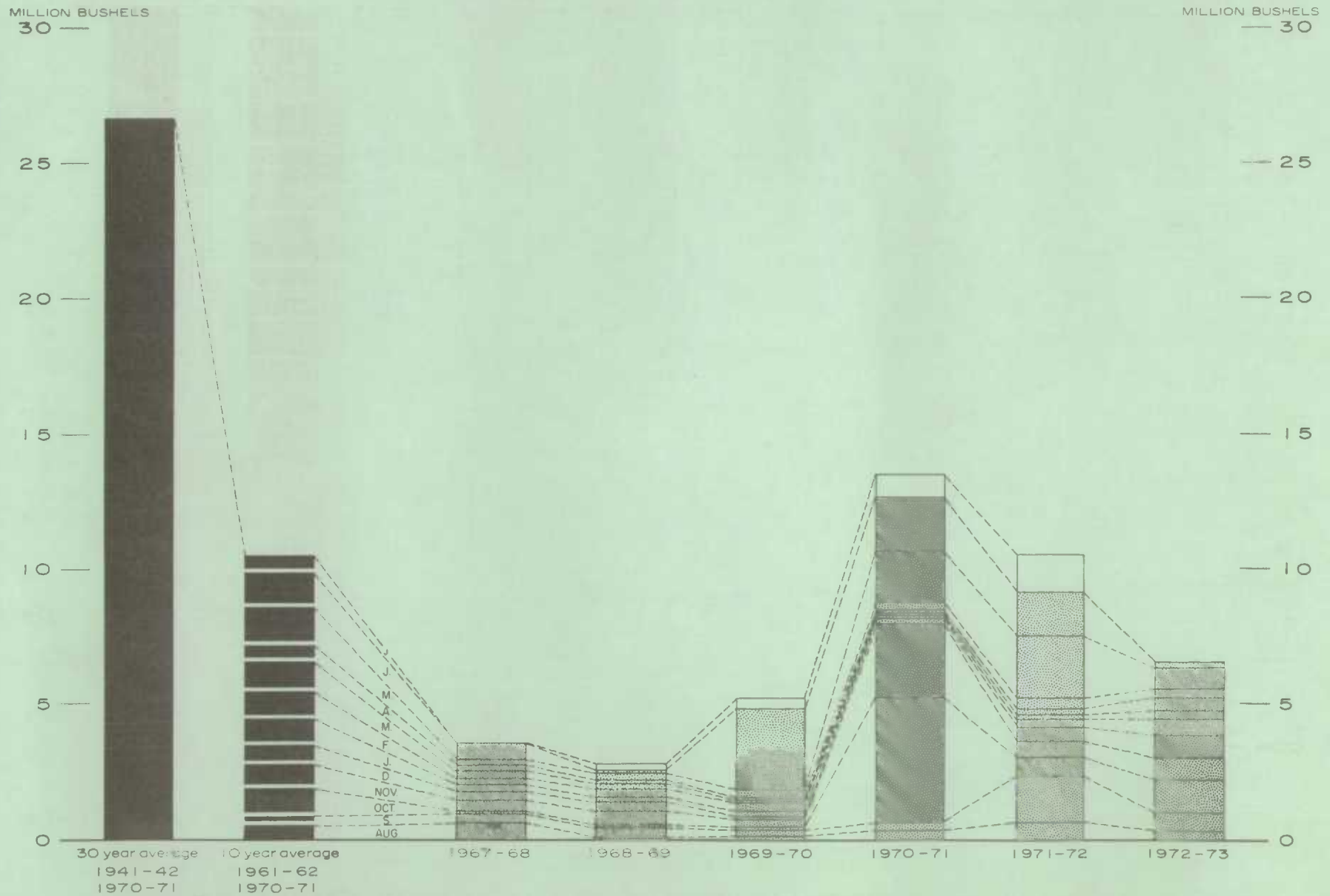




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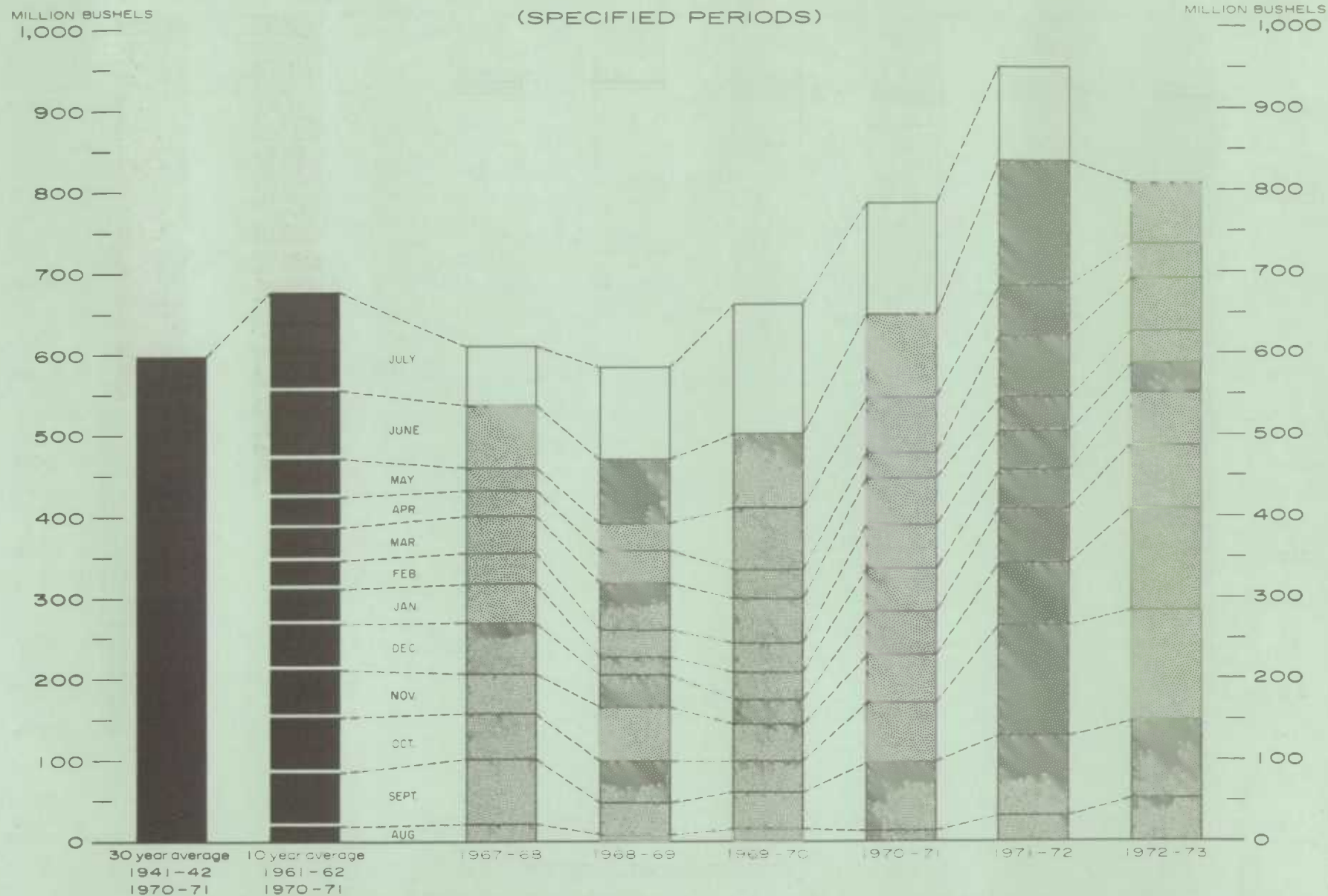


*Beginning with 1960-61 includes relatively small quantity of seed oats.

**In terms of grain equivalent.

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

(SPECIFIED PERIODS)

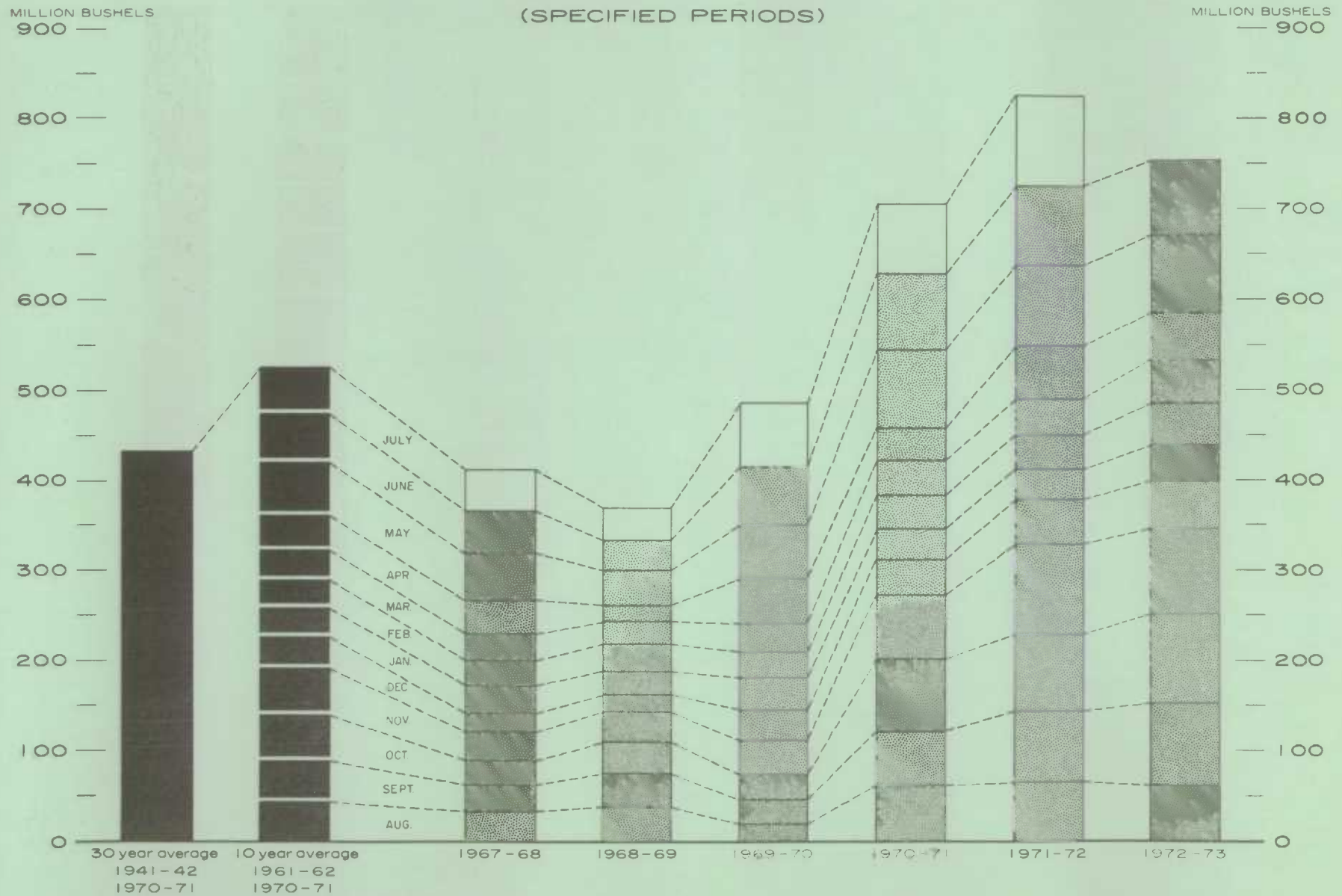


* Wheat, oats, barley, rye, flaxseed and from 1960-61 rapeseed.

Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada

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.

Canadian Wheat Board Weekly Average Cash Wheat Prices, Crop Year 1972-73
Basis in Store Thunder Bay and Vancouver

Class and grade	Week ending			
	June 22	June 29	July 6	July 13
cents and eighths per bushel				
<u>Initial payment to producers</u>				
1 C.W. Red Spring	176	176	176	176
2 C.W. Red Spring	169	169	169	169
3 C.W. Red Spring	160	160	160	160
No. 1 Canada Utility	147	147	147	147
No. 2 Canada Utility	147	147	147	147
No. 3 Canada Utility	147	147	147	147
1 Alberta Red Winter	162	162	162	162
2 Alberta Winter	157	157	157	157
3 Alberta Winter	151	151	151	151
1 C.W. Amber Durum	176	176	176	176
2 C.W. Amber Durum	172	172	172	172
3 C.W. Amber Durum	167	167	167	167
<u>Exports</u>				
<u>(Basis in store Thunder Bay)</u>				
1 C.W. Red Spring 14%	325/7	330/5	336/7	340/7
2 C.W. Red Spring 14%	321/7	326/5	332/7	336/7
3 C.W. Red Spring	311/7	316/5	322/7	326/7
No. 1 Canada Utility	303/6	302/5	302/7	303/3
No. 2 Canada Utility	301/6	300/5	300/7	301/3
No. 3 Canada Utility	307/6	306/5	306/7	307/3
1 Alberta Red Winter	315/7	320/5	326/7	330/7
2 Alberta Winter	314/7	319/5	325/7	329/7
3 Alberta Winter	313/7	318/5	324/7	328/7
1 C.W. Amber Durum	349/7	377/5	388/7	412/7
2 C.W. Amber Durum	348/7	376/5	387/7	411/7
3 C.W. Amber Durum	342/7	370/5	381/7	405/7
<u>(Basis in store Vancouver)</u>				
1 C.W. Red Spring 14%	348/7	352/3	358/5	362/5
2 C.W. Red Spring	337/7	341/3	347/5	351/5
3 C.W. Red Spring	334/7	338/4	344/5	348/5
1 Alberta Red Winter	338/7	342/4	348/5	352/5
2 Alberta Winter	337/7	341/4	347/5	351/5
3 Alberta Winter	336/7	340/4	346/5	350/5

CANADIAN FLOUR MILLING SITUATION

Production Wheat flour production by Canadian mills during June 1973 amounted to 3,000,000 hundredweight, indicating a decrease of 10 per cent from the 3,317,000 hundredweight produced in May 1973, 9 per cent lower than the June 1972 total of 3,312,000 hundredweight, and 7 per cent less than the ten-year (1963-72) average production for the month of June of 3,209,000 hundredweight. Mills reporting operations during June 1973 had a total rated capacity of 163,000 hundredweight per 24-hour day and on the basis of a 26-day working period 70.8 per cent of this rated capacity was effective. Wheat milled for flour during June 1973 amounted to 6,773,000 bushels 10 per cent below the 7,500,000 bushels milled during the preceding month and 9 per cent less than the 7,416,000 bushels milled during June 1972. Of the wheat milled for flour during June 1973 some 5,510,000 bushels were Western Canadian red spring wheat (other than Durum) while the remainder consisted of Ontario winter wheat (464,000 bushels); Durum (463,000 bushels); and all other (336,000 bushels).

Exports According to preliminary Customs returns, exports of Canadian wheat flour during May 1973 amounted to the equivalent of 1,849,000 bushels (some 804,000 hundredweight of flour), 21 per cent greater than the April 1973 exports of 1,525,000 bushels but 4 per cent lower than the adjusted May 1972 exports of 1,916,000 bushels. Flour shipments during May 1973 went to twenty-nine countries with exports to Cuba amounting to 1,100,000 bushels or 60 per cent of the May total. Other leading markets for Canadian wheat flour in terms of wheat during the month with shipments in thousands of bushels were as follows: Sri-Lanka, 112; Haiti, 98; Leeward and Windward Islands, 96; Lebanon, 87; Trinidad and Tobago, 74; Jamaica, 66; and Sudan, 66.

Note: Data re exports of wheat flour for June 1973 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	Wheat flour	
		Production	Exports(1)
	bushels	cwt.	
1933-36 - 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
1954-55 - 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	90,557,332	39,640,459	11,723,205
1970-71	87,467,328	38,534,863	10,802,813
1971-72	88,123,761	39,071,806	10,745,908
1972-73(2)			
August	7,516,123	3,306,195	1,156,942
September	7,590,423	3,315,484	972,566
October	8,231,621	3,631,037	739,735
November	7,497,161	3,293,927	744,980
December	5,853,556	2,577,403	904,764
January	7,414,125	3,252,034	520,517
February	6,649,247	2,923,598	987,725
March	7,676,061	3,395,455	912,636
April	6,543,714	2,889,578	663,184
May	7,499,848	3,316,748	803,755
June	7,415,427	2,999,512	869,565
Totals	79,888,306	34,901,971	9,276,369
Same months 1971-72 ¹	81,215,166	36,012,832	8,964,593

(1) Based on Customs returns. Exports for the crop year 1945-46 - 1971-72 revised to remove effect of time lag in the returns made by Customs.

(2) Subject to revision.

UNITED STATES SITUATION

Disappearance of United States Wheat

During the crop year (July-June) 1972-73 total disappearance (exports plus domestic use) of United States wheat amounted to 2,007 million bushels, an increase of 35 per cent over the previous year's total of 1,483 million. Total domestic supplies of wheat were placed at 2,409.6 million bushels 3 per cent above the previous year's total of 2,348.0 million reflecting an increase of 135 million in carryover stocks which more than offset a decrease of 7.3 million in production. Domestic requirements declined from an estimated 851.6 million bushels in 1971-72 to 826.0 million in 1972-73. However, the 1972-73 exports of wheat, wheat flour and products in terms of grain equivalent amounted to a record 1,181.4 million bushels, some 87 per cent larger than the 631.8 million exported in 1971-72. Reflecting this large increase in exports, which more than offset the effect of larger supplies and reduced domestic disappearance, year-end stocks of wheat at July 31, 1973 at 402.3 million bushels, declined to less than half the 1972 level of 864.8 million.

United States Wheat Supplies

Item	1971-72 ^r	1972-73 ^p
	million bushels	
Carryover at beginning of crop year (July 1)	730.2	864.8
Production	1,617.8	1,544.8
Total estimated domestic supplies	2,348.0	2,409.6
Imports of wheat and wheat flour in terms of wheat for domestic use, July-June	0.2	0.1
Total estimates supplies	2,348.3	2,409.7
Less estimated domestic requirements for crop year (1) .	851.6	826.0
Available for export and for carryover	1,496.6	1,583.7
<u>Deduct</u>		
Exports of wheat as grain, July-June	575.8	1,124.1
Exports of wheat flour and products(2) in terms of wheat, July-June	56.0	57.3
Total exports of wheat and wheat flour	631.8	1,181.4
Balance on July 1 for export and for carryover	864.8	402.3

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

(2) Includes bulgar, rolled wheat and macaroni.

1973 Wheat Crop
Forecast at a Record
1,749 Million Bushels

A report released on July 10, 1973 by the Crop Reporting Board of the United States Department of Agriculture stated that production of all wheat is forecast at a record 1,749 million bushels, 13 per cent more than in 1972 and 8 per cent above the crop of two years ago. Changes between the July 1 forecast and final estimates have averaged 36 million bushels during the past decade, ranging from 6 million to 88 million bushels. In four of the ten years, the July forecast was above the final by an average of 41 million and 6 times it was below by an average of 33 million bushels. Acreage of all wheat for harvest as grain, at 53.6 million acres, is 13 per cent above last year and the largest since 1968 when 54.8 million acres were harvested. The indicated yield of 32.6 bushels per acre compares with the 1972 average of 32.7 and the record high 1971 yield of 33.9 bushels.

Production of winter wheat is now forecast at a record 1,320 million bushels, 11 per cent above last year's crop and 15 per cent above 2 years ago. The current forecast is 4 million bushels more than the June 1 forecast. Acreage for harvest as grain, at 38.5 million acres is 10 per cent above 1972 and 19 per cent above two years ago. Acreage for harvest is three per cent higher than estimated earlier this year. The U.S. yield per acre is indicated at 34.3 bushels compared with 34.0 last year, and 35.4 in 1971.

Harvest of the record large Kansas wheat crop was 38 per cent complete on June 30, well behind last year's 56 per cent and the ten year average of 62 per cent. Harvest had marched northward into all except the northwest district. Hot, dry winds forced maturity in some areas in late June causing shriveled kernels. First reports of quality tests, reflecting chiefly wheat from southern counties, indicated higher than average test weight, but lower than average protein content.

Harvest in the Southern Plains was also behind a year ago. A burst of activity the last week of June brought Oklahoma's harvest to 90 per cent complete compared to 97 per cent a year earlier. The bulk of the remaining acreage was in the Panhandle and northeast where weather held up progress. Test weights were good, but protein percentage was the lowest since 1969. In Texas, 72 per cent of the crop was combined by July 1 compared with 95 per cent last year. Harvest of the dryland crop in the High and Low Plains was making excellent progress, but combining of irrigated acreage was lagging. Yields have been good to excellent in most areas and test weights have been satisfactory.

Adverse conditions in June dimmed wheat prospects in Colorado and South Dakota. Insufficient soil moisture and high temperatures during the critical filling period were blamed for the reduction. The bright outlook for Colorado's crop a month ago changed as prolonged dry weather began to show its effect. The crop was later than usual and hot weather hit during the critical filling period. A few fields were harvested in southeastern counties the last week of June. Nebraska wheat harvest was getting underway in late June in southeastern counties. Winter wheat in South Dakota was beginning to ripen and over 70 per cent was turning colour. Concern was being expressed about light test weights due to lack of sufficient soil moisture during filling.

Soil moisture shortages continued to plague wheat growers in Montana and the Pacific Northwest where yield prospects declined during June. The North Central portion of Montana, the major producing areas, received some rain during June providing temporary relief. About 70 per cent of the crop was headed, somewhat behind last year. Three-fourths of Idaho's winter wheat was headed in late June. Prospects

Prospects declined sharply in Washington during the month, and yield per acre is now expected to be down a third from the two previous years. Harvest is expected to begin July 10-13 in southern counties. Oregon's yield forecast declined somewhat and is well below the two previous years. California growers were pleasantly surprised to find yields well above earlier expectations.

Missouri wheat was 46 per cent harvested by July 1, well behind the previous year's pace of 74 per cent. Combining was progressing well in Southern Illinois with yields well below earlier expectations. Statewide, about 40 per cent of the acreage was harvested compared to 65 per cent last year and the average of 66 per cent. Only 5 per cent of Indiana's wheat was harvested by July 1 with most of the progress in southwestern counties. Wheat in Ohio was maturing rapidly and almost 20 per cent was ripe in early July against only 15 per cent last year. Yield prospects declined in both Indiana and Ohio. Michigan yield prospects were maintained with continued adequate soil moisture supplies. Yields were generally below earlier expectations for other eastern States in the soft red wheat area. Heavier than normal precipitation during June delayed harvest and caused some standing grain to lodge.

The crop of spring wheat other than durum is estimated at 342 million bushels, 20 per cent above 1972, but 10 per cent less than the record production of 1971. The 1973 production forecast is higher than a year earlier in all States. Development of the crop is ahead of normal. By July 3, 56 per cent of the North Dakota crop was headed compared with the 10-year average of 35 per cent for this date. Over 80 per cent was in head in Minnesota, compared with the average of 45 per cent. One-third of Montana's crop was headed. The crop is expected to yield an average of 28.0 bushels for 1973, compared with 29.0 in 1972 and 30.7 bushels per acre in 1971.

Soil moisture shortages continue in the southern half of North Dakota and other local areas. Additional rain is needed in South Dakota, especially for the early seeded acreage. Rains also would benefit the Minnesota crop. Spring wheat in Montana is in good to excellent condition in the eastern third of the State but soil moisture shortages in other areas now give prospects that range from poor to good. Yield prospects are low in Washington because of limited rainfall and hot, drying winds. The estimate of 12.2 million acres of spring wheat other than durum for harvest in 1973 is up 24 per cent from the 9.9 million acres harvested in 1972, but 2 per cent less than the large acreage of 1971. Plantings total 12.6 million acres, up 24 per cent from a year earlier.

Production of durum wheat is forecast at 87 million bushels, up 19 per cent from 1972 but 5 per cent less than the record high 1971 crop. Acreages are up substantially from last year in all States except California. Progress of the crop was ahead of normal. Thirty-nine per cent of the North Dakota crop had headed by July 3 compared with the average of 23 per cent. Yield is expected to average 29.7 bushels per acre, compared with 28.6 bushels in 1972 and 32.1 bushels in 1971. Topsoil moisture in North Dakota is generally adequate in the major producing area. In South Dakota, rains brought limited relief to some eastern areas on July 1, but additional moisture is badly needed. After a dry period during the first half of May, rainfall in Montana has been adequate for the crop in the major northeastern producing area. Acreage for harvest is estimated at 2.9 million acres, 15 per cent more than in 1972 and 2 per cent above 1971. A total of 3.0 million acres was planted, 16 per cent more than in 1972.

AUSTRALIAN SITUATION

Wheat Supplies
Down from Last Year

Total supplies of wheat in Australia for the 1972-73 (December-November) crop year are placed at 284.5 million bushels, as against the 433.4 million in 1971-72, reflecting a decrease in both carryover stocks and production. The December 1, 1972 carryover stocks estimated at 50.1 million bushels registered a sharp drop from the 127.2 million bushels at December 1, 1971, and the 1972 production at 234.4 million bushels, was some 23 per cent below the 306.2 million harvested the previous year. After deducting some 115.3 million bushels for anticipated domestic requirements, an estimated 169.2 million are available for export and for carryover during 1972-73, about half the 335.2 million available in 1971-72.

Exports Decline
from Year Ago

Combined exports of wheat as grain and wheat flour in terms of grain equivalent during the period December 1-June 23 of the current Australian crop year amounted to 116.6 million bushels, sharply below the 187.9 million exported during the corresponding seven months of the 1971-72 crop year. The balance remaining on June 24, 1973 for export and for carryover, at 52.6 million bushels, was 64 per cent below the comparable 1972 total of 147.3 million.

Australian Wheat Supplies

Item	1971-72r	1972-73p
million bushels		
Carryover, including flour as wheat, at beginning of crop year (December 1)	127.2	50.1
Production	306.2	234.4
Total estimated domestic supplies	433.4	284.5
Less estimated domestic requirements for crop year	98.2	115.3
Available for export and for carryover	335.2	169.2
<u>Deduct</u>		
Exports of wheat as grain, December 1-June 23	181.4	106.9
Exports of wheat flour in terms of wheat, December 1 - June 23	6.5	9.7
Total exports of wheat and wheat flour	187.9	116.6
Balance on June 24, for export and for carryover	147.3	52.6

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The latest estimate of likely Australian wheat acreage for 1973-74 indicates a planting of 23.5 million acres if current sowing intentions are carried out. This is the Commonwealth Bureau of Census and Statistics estimate which is slightly lower than the Wheat Board's estimate of 23.8 million acres. However, with the dry conditions in parts of Queensland, New South Wales and Western Australia, the final sowings could easily shrink closer to 22 million acres.

However, assuming a favourable rainfall, an acreage of 23.5 million acres at an average yield of 18 bushels per acre (the past ten-year average) the production figure would be 423 million bushels. With an anticipated carryover of 13 million bushels, the total availability would be 436 million bushels. This would be almost double the total 1972-73 availability of about 249 million bushels.

On past experience it can be expected that about 30 million bushels will be retained on farms which would give the Board a total availability of about 406 million bushels. Of this, domestic consumption will probably take another 80 million bushels leaving the Board with an export availability of about 326 million bushels.

In addition the Board will probably want to increase its carryover into the 1974-75 crop year. Even a modest carryover of 50 million bushels would mean that the Board would have only 276 million bushels for export. The Board's aim is to have carryovers in the area of 150 million bushels in future.

Estimates of wheat acreage by State are shown in the following table with a comparison to 1972-73 actual sowings :

<u>Australian Wheat Acreage</u>		
<u>State</u>	<u>Actual planting</u> <u>1972-73</u>	<u>Intended planting</u> <u>1973-74</u>
	million acres	
Queensland	1.0	1.0 - 1.5
New South Wales	6.3	8.0 - 9.0
Victoria	2.8	3.6
South Australia	2.5	3.5
Western Australia	6.1	7.2
Totals	18.7	23.3 - 24.8

In Queensland, conditions are variable. The central part of the State has received widespread rain and planting is in full swing. However, this area is the smallest wheat area in Queensland and southern areas need rain urgently. Only about 12 per cent of this southern area has been planted and if good rains do not come during July, wheat will be abandoned. Consequently there could be a large shortfall in prime hard production.

In New South Wales, conditions are generally good except for the northern prime hard area where rain is also needed urgently. As each week passes in this part of the State without rain, the chances of growers planting wheat become less. Crops in the main central and south-western portion of the wheat belt are well established and need fine weather rather than rain. Crops along the Murray River are suffering from the opposite extreme with too much rain and are becoming waterlogged. Some of these crops may have to be resown.

In Victoria, soil moisture at planting was the best for some years. Sowing was complete on the Mallee, which accounts for about 40 per cent of Victorian production, by the end of May. However, in other wheat areas of Victoria they have received too much rain which is holding up planting. The Department of Agriculture estimates that up to 200,000 acres may not now be sown because of the waterlogged soil. Clear, sunny weather is now needed to dry up wet ground.

In South Australia, conditions have been about ideal. Good planting rains fell on time with good scattered rains being received since. Sowing of early and mid-season crops is complete and late crop sowing should be complete by mid-July. Some sand blasting has affected early sown crops but in general is not serious.

In Western Australia, good planting rains fell during the first half of June so that planting could get underway over about 75 per cent of the wheat belt. However, these rains were only a temporary reprieve and follow-up rains are needed, particularly in the eastern part of the wheat belt.

Australia-China long-term wheat agreement.—Last month a five-man mission led by the Chairman of the Australian Wheat Board went to China to explore the possibilities and to discuss the principles of a long-term wheat agreement between Australia and China. The Australians want a five-year contract with quantities negotiated each year within a stipulated range and prices also negotiated yearly but geared to world prices. In addition they want sales on no longer than twelve months credit with interest rates decided each year. The Chinese on the other hand, are reported to be in agreement with this type of proposal except that they are not interested in a five-year contract and are more inclined to be in favour of a three-year contract.

On quantity, the thinking seems to be that an agreement would call for deliveries within a minimum and maximum range to be negotiated yearly with an average yearly quantity of around 2.2 million tons with provisions to allow an increase when the supply and demand is available and for shortfalls in deliveries to be made up in subsequent years. If an agreement can be made it will not likely be before the Wheat Board has a good idea of what the coming harvest will be in which case probably not before September.

Queensland interim premium payment on 1972-73 wheat.—The State Wheat Board for Queensland has announced that it will make an interim premium payment on prime hard wheat delivered to the Board in the 1972-73 season on July 10. The protein categories and payments will be made as follows:

<u>Protein content(%)</u>	<u>Payment per ton (\$)</u>
11.5 - 12.5	1.10
12.6 - 13.5	1.50
13.6 - 14.5	2.35
14.6 - 15.5	2.75
Over 15.5	2.95

In 1972-73 a total of 160,000 tons of prime hard wheat were delivered in Queensland out of a total delivery of 332,800 tons. Of the total prime hard delivered, approximately 11,000 tons had a protein content of more than 15.5 per cent.

Cheaper wheat freight rates sought.—There is growing concern among Australian wheat growers that high rail freight rates for wheat are placing the industry at a competitive disadvantage with their competitors and that growers are turning away from wheat as a result. In addition the high rates are being blamed, in part, for the increased inter-State wheat movement outside of Board control. As a result, grower organizations are asking the Government for a general reduction in all rural freights and for as much as 50 per cent in some States on wheat rates. In New South Wales wheatgrowers are paying \$8.90 per ton for an average haul of 300 miles. In Queensland the rate is \$8.83 per ton for a 250 mile haul.

Exports of Australian Wheat and Wheat Flour in Terms of Wheat
December 1 — June 23, 1972-73 and Corresponding Period 1971-72

Destination	<u>Wheat</u>		<u>Wheat flour</u>	
	1971-72	1972-73	1971-72	1972-73
thousand bushels				
<u>Western Europe</u>				
Britain(1)	13,205	7,093	153	38
Ireland(1)	484	89	—	—
Malta	565	—	—	—
Norway	4,033	—	—	—
Totals	18,287	7,182	153	38
<u>Eastern Europe</u>				
Germany, East	16,270	2,954	—	—
U.S.S.R.(Russia)	11,637	27,518	—	—
Totals	27,907	30,472	—	—

See footnote at end of table.

Exports of Australian Wheat and Wheat Flour in Terms of Wheat
December 1 - June 23, 1972-73 and Corresponding Period 1971-72-continued

Destination	Wheat		Wheat flour	
	1971-72	1972-73	1971-72	1972-73
thousand bushels				
<u>Africa</u>				
Angola	573	—	—	—
Egypt A.R.E.	43,352	16,228	—	—
Kenya	2,382	—	—	—
Malawi	—	—	347	83
Mauritius - Comm.	—	—	524	864
- F. Aid	—	—	183	370
Mozambique	1,621	—	—	—
Rhodesia	1,145	—	—	—
Sudan	1,430	—	—	—
Tanzania	749	—	—	—
Zambia	1,889	1,329	—	—
Others	2	3	337	165
Totals	53,143	17,560	1,391	1,482
<u>Asia</u>				
Aden	460	—	—	—
Aden I/T Atta	—	—	21	—
Afghanistan - Comm.	411	—	—	—
- F. Aid ...	—	146	—	—
Arabian Gulf	185	143	227	360
Arabian Gulf Atta	—	—	752	1,211
Bangladesh - Comm.	237	—	—	—
- F. Aid	511	462	—	—
China	—	11,885	—	—
Hong Kong	1,071	1,134	11	2
India - F. Aid	1,466	—	—	—
Indonesia	—	—	3	2
- F. Aid	1,796	1,003	—	—
Iran	2,783	—	—	—
Iraq	2,695	—	—	—
Japan	30,525	8,575	—	—
Korea North	1,852	—	—	—
Korea South	2,897	—	—	—
Kuwait	2,895	2,388	—	—
Lebanon	1,260	675	—	—
Malaysia	5,898	6,934	—	—
Pakistan - F. Aid	878	679	—	—
Philippines	—	—	179	200
- F. Aid	—	129	—	—
Qatar	—	242	—	—
Sabah	—	—	1	1
Sarawak	—	—	—	7

See footnote at end of table.

Exports of Australian Wheat and Wheat Flour in Terms of Wheat
December 1 — June 23, 1972-73 and Corresponding Period 1971-72-concluded

Destination	Wheat		Wheat flour	
	1971-72	1972-73	1971-72	1972-73
thousand bushels				
<u>Asia — Concluded</u>				
Saudi Arabia	2,820	514	123	231
Singapore	3,334	3,537	—	5
Sri-Lanka	1,370	1,724	—	—
- Comm.	—	—	73	11
- F. Aid	—	—	734	1,672
Taiwan	2,992	4,819	—	—
Thailand	1,096	1,137	101	85
Yemen	1,547	—	—	—
Others	—	3	83	165
Totals	70,979	46,129	2,308	3,952
<u>Oceania</u>				
Fiji - F. Aid	—	—	—	111
New Zealand	550	—	—	—
Totals	550	—	—	111
<u>Western Hemisphere</u>				
Bolivia	566	—	—	—
Chile	7,813	5,055	—	—
Peru	2,116	470	—	—
West Indies Area	—	—	36	67
Totals	10,495	5,525	36	67
<u>Pacific Area and Sundries</u>				
Pacific Islands	40	32	2,539	3,944
Ships' Stores and Sundries	—	—	74	106
Totals	40	32	2,613	4,050
Totals, all countries ..	181,400	106,900	6,500	9,700

(1) Commencing January 1, 1973 Britain and Ireland became members of the European Economic Community.

ARGENTINE SITUATION

Supplies Increase over Year Ago Reflecting an increase in production which more than offset lower carryover stocks, total estimated domestic supplies of wheat in Argentina for the 1972-73 (December-November) crop year are placed at some 315.5 million bushels, 41 per cent over the comparable 1971-72 total of 223.5 million. The 1972 production estimated at 297.6 million bushels was 43 per cent more than the 208.7 million produced in 1971 while the December 1, 1972 carryover stocks, at 17.9 million, are 28 per cent lower than the 24.8 million at the same date a year ago. After making an allowance of 150.0 million bushels for anticipated domestic requirements, an estimated 165.5 million are available for export and for carryover in 1972-73, in sharp contrast to the 81.6 million the previous year.

Exports Sharply above Previous Year Preliminary exports of wheat and wheat flour in terms of wheat equivalent during December 1972 - June 1973 amounted to 101.6 million bushels, in sharp contrast to the 36.7 million shipped during the same seven months in 1971-72. The balance remaining on July 1, 1973 for export and for carryover was estimated at 63.9 million bushels, 42 per cent larger than the July 1, 1972 total of 44.9 million.

Argentine Wheat Supplies

Item	1971-72r	1972-73p
	million bushels	
Carryover at beginning of crop year (December 1) (1)	24.8	17.9
Production	208.7	297.6
Total estimated domestic supplies	223.5	315.5
Less estimated requirements for crop year	151.9	150.0
Available for export and for carryover	81.6	165.5
<u>Deduct</u>		
Exports of wheat as grain, December - June	33.4	95.4
Exports of wheat flour in terms of wheat, December - June	3.3	6.2
Total exports of wheat and wheat flour	36.7	101.6
Balance on July 1 for export and for carryover	44.9	63.9

(1) Includes allowances for farm stocks.

Argentine Wheat Exports December - May 1971-72 and 1972-73

Destination	May		December - May	
	1972	1973	1971-72	1972-73
thousand bushels				
<u>Western Europe</u>				
EEC:				
Italy	306	—	7,068	8,370
Netherlands	78	—	218	50
Totals	384	—	7,286	8,420
<u>Africa</u>				
Algeria	—	—	463	—
Libya	—	—	220	—
Republic of Congo	—	121	—	121
Republic of Yemen	—	360	—	682
South Africa	—	338	—	338
Totals	—	819	683	1,141
<u>Asia</u>				
Bangladesh	—	663	—	20,347
India	—	—	—	6,908
Japan	—	—	—	2,971
Jordan	—	—	154	—
Korea	—	—	—	6,096
Pakistan	—	766	—	1,446
Totals	—	1,429	154	37,768
<u>Western Hemisphere</u>				
Brazil	4,748	7,086	15,407	28,343
Chile	445	515	3,494	9,644
Paraguay	65	—	138	—
Uruguay	—	720	—	1,366
Totals	5,258	8,321	19,039	39,353
Totals, all countries ...	5,640	10,569	27,164	86,684

WHEAT SITUATION IN SOUTH AFRICA

The following account of the current situation in South Africa has been extracted from a report by Mr. M.A. Brault, Trade Commissioner, Johannesburg, under date of June 18, 1973, and is reproduced with the permission of the Trade Commissioner Service, Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce.

1972-73 season.— So far the Board and its agents have received 1,670,000 metric tons (61,361,000 bushels) of wheat. The quantity of wheat still to be delivered to the Board during the remainder of the current season is estimated at about 6,100 metric tons (224,000 bushels). In total the Board estimates the current season's deliveries to it and its agents at 1,676,100 metric tons (61,585,000 bushels) which is 94,900 metric tons (3,487,000 bushels) more than the previous 1971-72 season's receipts. The Board has no information as to the precise quantity of wheat held back by farmers, but it estimates the quantity at about 40,000 metric tons (1,470,000 bushels). The farm retentions are not included in the above estimated receipts of wheat.

Consumption of wheat .— At the end of the 1971-72 season, the Board carried over a supply of approximately 308,000 tons (11,317,000 bushels) of wheat over and above the necessary carryover of approximately 4 months' milling stocks. As the current fiscal year of the Wheat Industry Control Board ends on September 30, 1973 it is not possible to forecast any estimates regarding an accurate surplus, although it is generally felt that this may be slightly higher (up to 5 per cent) than the previous year. The wheat consumption during the current season is estimated at some 1,500,000 metric tons (55,115,000 bushels) and this will be less than the estimated wheat receipts. It therefore appears that the Republic is more and more self-sufficient as far as wheat is concerned.

Crop conditions- crop year 1972-73.— Weather conditions have not been favourable in the summer rainfall area due to inadequate moisture supplies; although rains in the beginning of 1973 especially in the Cape area have greatly improved the overall position. As in previous years, it is almost impossible to make accurate estimates of the 1973-74 season's wheat receipts at this stage as it is still far too early.

WHEAT SITUATION IN ITALY

The following account of the current situation in Italy has been extracted from a report by Mr. R. Brookes, Commercial Officer, Canadian Embassy, Rome, under date of July 3, 1973, and is reproduced with the permission of the Trade Commissioner Service, Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce.

1973 Italian wheat crop forecast.— In a few days the wheat crop will start. According to the latest information forecasts for non-durum wheat appear to be more or less satisfactory whereas the outlook for durum wheat is rather negative.

There has been a further reduction in the sown area for non-durum wheat of approximately 6 per cent compared to last year, which were 2,233,232 hectares, (5,517,000 acres), whereas this year the approximate figure is 2,100,000 hectares, (5,187,000 acres). However, production of non-durum wheat should be down by only 4 per cent. This year's production should be 6,050,000 - 6,100,000 metric tons (222,297,000 - 224,134,000 bushels). Last year it was 6,349,300 tons (233,294,000 bushels).

A completely different picture is envisaged for durum wheat. Production will be considerably lower than last year. Adverse weather conditions at sowing time in the Autumn and during the winter are the main causes. Particularly hit are the Apulia Region (mainly the Province of Foggia) and the Eastern part of Sicily.

For the whole of Italy the drop in acreage is approximately 8 per cent: 1,460,000 hectares (3,606,000 acres) for 1973 as against 1,588,258 hectares (3,923,000 acres) for 1972. Production for 1973 is expected to be around 2,520,000 metric tons (92,593,000 bushels); the 1972 crop was 3,073,600 tons (112,934,000 bushels). Also, the quality of the 1973 crop is not satisfactory, due to the presence in many areas of weeds on account of the excessive rainfall in past months.

GRAIN SITUATION IN PORTUGAL

The following information relative to the grain situation in Portugal has been extracted from a report by Mr. P.A. Savard, Commercial Counsellor, Canadian Embassy, Lisbon, under date of July 13, 1973 and is reproduced with the permission of the Trade Commissioner Service, Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce.

1972 Crop Year.—As in most of Europe, 1972 was a poor year for agriculture in Portugal. The protracted cold and rainy weather that covered the western coast of Europe stretched all the way to Portugal and on balance there was no gain over 1971. Gross output has risen by no more than one per cent per year over the last 10 years. Such has been the effect of this disappointing performance that foodstuffs now account for about 10 per cent of total imports. Wheat production held up relatively well as it was not affected by the poor summer weather being winter wheat. Corn on the other hand showed a substantial decrease from 1971 and as a result imports, more than half of which from the United States, almost doubled.

Production

	10 year average <u>1961-70</u>	Revised figures <u>1970-71</u> thousand bushels	Preliminary figures <u>1971-72</u>
Wheat	19,988	30,681	27,190
Maize	22,125	20,826	16,377
Rye	6,811	6,417	5,630
Oats	5,771	8,559	7,781
Barley	2,894	3,950	3,766

GRAIN SITUATION IN FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY

The following account of the current grain situation in the Federal Republic of Germany has been extracted from a report received from Mr. K. Schmitz, Commercial Officer, Agriculture, Canadian Embassy, Bonn, West Germany, under date of July 13, 1973 and is reproduced with the permission of the Trade Commissioner Service, Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce.

This year's grain crop is expected to reach the level of the 1971 record crop at a total of 20.95 million metric tons. This results from a recently published forecast, based on data of weather conditions until the end of May, when the first preliminary forecast was made by the Federal Ministry of Agriculture. The method has been developed by Professor Hanus, Munich. According to his computerized forecast the total crop will range between 20.37 and 21.46 million tons, including corn, provided that weather conditions during the forthcoming weeks are more or less "normal".

FRENCH SITUATION

Supplies Higher
than Previous Year

Total estimated commercial domestic supplies of soft wheat in France for the crop year (August-July) 1972-73, consisting of the August 1 carryover of 90.8 million bushels and anticipated marketings of 543.3 million amount to some 634.1 million, 16 per cent more than the 1971-72 total of 545.9 million. Imports of wheat during August 1972 - May 1973 including durum wheat and both hard and soft wheat have amounted to 11.7 million bushels, sharply above the 6.4 million imported during the same months of 1971-72. After deducting 242.5 million bushels for estimated domestic use, including normal feed wheat requirements, the surplus available for export and for carryover is about 403.3 million bushels 30 per cent above the 309.3 million the previous year.

Exports Above
a Year Ago

Combined exports of wheat and wheat flour in terms of grain equivalent during the August - May period of the current crop year, at 256.4 million bushels, represented a 40 per cent increase over the comparable August - May 1971-72 total of 183.2 million. The balance of commercial supplies remaining on June 1, 1973 for export and for carryover amounted to 146.9 million compared with the June 1, 1972 total of 126.2 million bushels.

French Soft Wheat Supplies

Item	1971-72 ^r	1972-73 ^p
	million bushels	
Commercial carryover, August 1	97.8	90.8
Anticipated deliveries to Grain Board	448.1	543.3
Total estimated commercial domestic supplies	545.9	634.1
Imports(1) August - May	6.4	11.7
Total commercial supplies	552.3	645.8
Less domestic requirements for crop year	243.0	242.5
Available for export and for carryover	309.3	403.3
<u>Deduct</u>		
Exports(2) of wheat, August - May	150.6	215.0
Exports of wheat flour in terms of wheat, August - May	32.6	41.4
Total exports of wheat and wheat flour	183.2	256.4
Balance on June 1 for export and for carryover	126.2	146.9

(1) Includes durum, hard and soft wheat.

(2) Includes denatured, durum and soft wheat.

The following account of the wheat situation in France has been extracted from a report from Mr. G.W. Doucet, Commercial Secretary (Agriculture) Canadian Embassy, Paris, under date of July 16, 1973 and is reproduced with 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.

Imports.— Increased by April and May purchases, total wheat imports were placed at 317,885 metric tons (11,680,000 bushels) of which 233,061 tons (8,563,000 bushels) were durum wheat, while they amounted to 174,657 tons (6,417,000 bushels) of which 92,120 tons (3,385,000 bushels) of durum a year earlier. Total United States shipments to France amounted to 264,202 tons (9,708,000 bushels) in contrast to 124,069 tons (4,459,000 bushels) during the same period a year ago, while Canada's exports to France increased from 33,388 tons (1,227,000 bushels) to 37,251 tons (1,369,000 bushels) on June 1, 1973.

French Wheat Imports, August — May

Destination	Durum wheat		Hard and soft wheats	
	1971-72	1972-73	1971-72	1972-73
	thousand bushels			
Argentina	429	—	—	—
Belgium and Luxembourg ...	—	(1)	1	2
Brazil	—	—	1	(1)
Cameroon	—	—	(1)	(1)
Canada	—	370	1,227	998
Germany	—	—	9	27
Italy	—	—	1	—
Netherlands	—	—	—	(1)
Syria	—	441	—	—
United States	2,955	7,752	1,603	1,955
U.S.S.R.	—	—	191	129
Others	—	—	(1)	(1)
Totals	3,385	8,563	3,033	3,117

(1) Less than 500 bushels.

Exports.—Total wheat shipments from France were 616,376 metric tons (22,648,000 bushels) in April 1973, in contrast to 426,690 tons (15,678,000 bushels) in April 1972, and 479,807 tons (17,630,000 bushels) in May 1973 compared with 428,580 tons (15,747,000 bushels) in May 1972. These two month exports brought the cumulative August — May 1972-73 total to 5,852,059 tons (215,024,000 bushels) while total exports stood at 4,098,205 tons (150,582,000 bushels) on June 1, 1972. On June 1, 1973, figures reached 958,312 tons (35,212,000 bushels) for denatured wheats, 33,114 tons (1,217,000 bushels) for durum, and 4,860,633 tons (178,596,000 bushels) for milling wheat, while they respectively amounted to 516,486, 33,071 and 3,548,648 tons (18,977,000, 1,215,000 and 130,389,000 bushels) a year ago.

French wheat flour remained approximately at the same level, with 83,169 tons exported during April 1973 and 85,843 tons during May 1973. Since August 1972, some 750,593 tons have already been exported, surpassing by 159,533 tons the amount

registered last year for the same ten months, which was only 591,060 tons. On June 1, 1973, the two key customers of France were Egypt with 235,746 tons or 31.4 per cent and North Korea with 204,280 tons or 27.2 per cent.

French Wheat Exports, August - May

Destination	Milling soft wheat		Durum		Denatured durum and soft wheat	
	1971-72	1972-73	1971-72	1972-73	1971-72	1972-73
thousand bushels						
Afghanistan	294	441	—	—	—	—
Andorra	14	7	—	—	—	2
Angola	1,705	1,591	—	—	—	—
Bangladesh	—	551	—	—	—	—
Belgium and Luxembourg .	13,767	18,390	298	430	12,589	13,831
Cameroon	891	1,359	—	—	4	—
Central Africa	211	202	—	—	—	—
Chad	—	257	—	—	—	—
Congo-Brazza	80	586	—	—	(1)	—
Czechoslovakia	3,739	—	—	—	—	—
Dahomey	—	459	—	—	—	—
Ecuador	4	—	—	—	—	—
Egypt	—	24,964	—	—	—	—
Gabon	478	322	—	—	—	—
Germany	27,952	23,541	426	303	3,849	5,788
Guadeloupe	—	1,004	—	—	—	—
Indonesia	—	551	—	—	—	—
Ireland	2,162	1,921	—	15	—	—
Italy	18,163	9,077	380	284	13	11
Ivory Coast	3,159	2,517	—	—	—	—
Kenya	478	—	—	—	—	—
Libya	—	245	—	—	—	—
Madagascar	—	(1)	1	1	—	—
Malta	81	90	—	—	—	—
Martinique	—	—	—	(1)	(1)	—
Mascate et Oman	—	—	—	—	2	—
Mauritania	204	73	—	—	—	—
Morocco	370	—	—	—	—	—
Mozambique	—	540	—	—	—	—
Netherlands	13,884	21,068	10	43	1,802	15,108
Norway	141	—	—	—	—	—
Pakistan	551	367	—	—	—	—
Philippines	—	—	—	—	4	—
Poland	13,288	—	—	—	—	—
Portugal	294	—	—	—	—	—
Reunion Island	—	—	8	—	—	—
Senegal	3,202	3,454	—	—	48	66
Spain	1	—	—	—	—	1
Spanish Canaries	—	—	—	—	1	—
Spanish North Africa ...	—	1	—	—	—	(1)
Switzerland	7,259	6,642	77	3	18	30

For footnotes see end of table.

French Wheat Exports, August - May Conc'd

Destination	Milling soft wheat		Durum		Denatured durum and soft wheat	
	1971-72	1972-73	1971-72	1972-73	1971-72	1972-73
thousand bushels						
Tunisia	134	1,170	—	—	—	—
Uganda	1	—	—	—	—	—
United Kingdom	16,710	37,217	16	137	577	363
United States	9	—	—	—	—	—
U.A.R.	—	—	—	—	—	10
Upper Volta	551	571	—	—	—	—
U.S.S.R. (Russia)	613	19,415	—	—	59	—
West Indies	—	—	—	—	—	2
West Samoa	—	—	—	—	—	(1)
Yemen	—	—	—	—	10	—
Others	—	(1)	—	—	4	—
Totals	130,389	178,596	1,215	1,217	18,977	35,212

(1) Less than 500 bushels.

Unofficial estimates dealing with wheat acreage, yield, and production on June 1, 1973 compared with June 1, 1972 are listed below:

	Cultivated Area		Yield		Production	
	June 1 1972 thousand hectares	June 1 1973 thousand hectares	June 1 1972 metric tons per hectares	June 1 1973 metric tons per hectares	June 1 1972 thousand metric tons	June 1 1973 thousand metric tons
<u>Winter wheats</u>						
Soft wheat ..	3,639.1	3,606.3	4.7	4.2	17,051.0	15,103.4
Durum wheat .	65.3	64.5	2.2	2.4	144.5	156.3
<u>Spring wheats</u>						
Soft wheat ..	157.1	183.7	4.0	3.6	622.5	690.3
Durum wheat .	96.3	93.3	3.2	3.0	305.0	283.9
<u>Total, wheats</u>						
Soft wheat ..	3,796.2	3,790.0	—	—	17,673.5	15,793.7
Durum wheat .	161.6	157.8	—	—	449.5	440.2

Weather in April was comparable with March, cold and dry. The hydric insufficiency was less important than last month, but was added to those registered in December, January and February. On May 1, winter wheat growth was 15 days delayed, while seedings of spring wheat were not completed everywhere, and if so,

were irregularly and slowly sprouting. The month of May brought enough rain with normal temperature but insufficient solar light. The weather in that month was very propitious to spring grains, but winter wheat kept its 15 days delay. June and July were very sunny, with hot temperatures and lack of rain, except for local storms and violent rainfalls, such as during July 14, 15 and 16 week-end in Central France.

Outlook.—According to ONIC, next crop would reach 16,738,000 metric tons of soft wheat, with a 4.4 per hectare yield. This figure appears weaker than the production of 17,400,000 tons with a 4.5 ton yield registered for 1972.

Delivery estimate for 1973-74 would amount to 14 to 14.4 million metric tons in contrast to 14.8 million tons for 1972-73. A larger amount of wheat will be designed to the animal feed industries. Some 7.5 million tons might be exported, of which 5 million tons to the EEC and 2.5 million tons to Third Countries (of which 1.2 million tons will be wheat flour). Due to this very short surplus, exports of wheat grains to Third Countries might be deferred, except supply operations to Black Africa and Food Aid. The denaturation rules are still remaining unknown and might modify both domestic consumption and EEC shipments.

CALENDAR OF WHEAT EVENTS

- July 10 According to a report published by the Crop Reporting Board, United States Department of Agriculture, all wheat production in the United States in 1973 is forecast at a record 1,749 million bushels, 13 per cent more than in 1972 and 8 per cent above the crop of two years ago.
- 11 According to a report published by Statistics Canada, farmers in the Prairie Provinces have seeded larger acreages of wheat, oats, spring rye and flaxseed, this year than last and are devoting less land to summerfallow. The acreage seeded to all types of wheat in the Prairie Provinces in 1973 reached 24,200,000 acres, some 1.6 per cent larger than the area seeded in 1972 but 4 per cent less than the ten-year 1962-71 average of 25,298,400 acres.
- 13 A report from Mr. C.V. Hiltz, Third Secretary (Agriculture) for Canada, Canberra, stated that the latest forecast of Australian wheat acreage for 1973-74 indicates plantings of 23.5 million acres if current sowing estimates are carried out. This is the Commonwealth Bureau of Census and Statistics forecast which is slightly lower than the Wheat Board's figure of 23.8 million acres.
- 26 The Canadian Wheat Board in its Instructions to the Trade No. 4 announced the Initial Payment Prices for wheat, oats and barley during the 1973-74 crop year. The price for No. 1 Canada Western Red Spring in store Thunder Bay or Vancouver was placed at \$1.76 per bushel.

Flour Production

According to the Bureau of the Census, United States

Department of Commerce, wheat flour production in the United States in May 1973 amounted to 20,603,000 hundredweight, averaging 936,000 hundredweight per working day. This compared with an average output per working day of 919,000 hundredweight last month and 958,000 hundredweight in May 1972. Wheat flour mills during May 1973 operated at 91.3 per cent of capacity, above the 89.6 per cent of the previous month but below the 97.2 per cent of the same month a year ago. Flour mills in May 1973 ground 45,808,000 bushels of wheat compared with 42,792,000 bushels the previous month and 46,897,000 bushels in May 1972.

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