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- nil or zero.
- P preliminary figures.
- r revised figures.

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WORLD WHEAT SITUATION

1973 World Record
Wheat Production

On the basis of the first estimate of the Foreign Agricultural Service, United States Department of Agriculture, the 1973 world wheat crop is estimated at some 12.8 billion bushels, 5 per cent more than the 1972 outturn and 3 per cent above the next-to-record of 1971.

August-September Exports
Increase Over Year Ago

Total exports of wheat and wheat flour in terms of wheat from the four traditional major exporters during August-September 1973 have amounted to 365.9 million bushels, 17 per cent over the 313.0 million shipped during the comparable first two months of 1972 and 47 per cent more than the ten-year (1962-71) average shipments for the same two months of 248.8 million bushels. As indicated in the accompanying table, based on the Canadian crop year, shipments from United States were at a higher level this year than last, while those from Canada, Australia and Argentina decreased.

Exports of Wheat and Flour in Terms of Wheat, August — September 1973
with Comparisons

August-September	Canada	Australia	United States	Argentina	Total	France
million bushels						
1950	31.8	21.5	31.6	11.6	96.5	
1951	44.0	21.2	82.4	12.3	159.9	
1952	62.1	12.6	52.4	—	127.1	
1953	53.2	9.0	41.9	19.2	123.3	
1954	48.8	11.1	33.1	22.5	115.5	
1955	42.5	16.8	42.9	19.6	121.8	
1956	57.3	29.1	76.7	17.2	180.3	
1957	52.0	18.2	68.1	14.8	153.1	
1958	44.4	11.9	69.9	11.0	137.2	
1959	50.1	17.8	68.9	10.7	147.5	
1960	56.6	18.4	98.4	19.5	192.9	
1961	70.8	40.4	106.2	2.3	219.7	
1962	52.8	13.7	102.9	6.2	175.6	
1963	77.0	34.5	114.7	7.2	233.4	
1964	91.2	26.1	123.3	16.5	257.1	
1965	113.2	42.0	135.1	50.6	340.9	
1966	116.7	25.1	157.9	16.4	316.1	
1967	49.6	51.9	139.2	1.4	242.1	
1968	65.9	41.0	84.9	10.5	202.3	27.0
1969	37.6	54.3	74.5	11.4	177.8	31.6
1970	83.2	64.1	115.6	13.6	276.5	20.2
1971	98.5	53.6	111.9	2.4	266.4	39.0
1972 ^r	109.7	41.2	149.9	12.2	313.0	43.0
1973 ^P	72.1	17.1	270.5	6.2	365.9	28.2(1)

(1) August only.

Wheat Supplies of
Four Major Exporters
Below Previous Year

Total supplies of wheat remaining in Canada, Australia, United States and Argentina at October 1, 1973 for export and for carryover at the end of their respective crop years, amounted to 1,802.4 million bushels, 23 per cent below the 2,351.8 million at the same time a year ago. This decrease reflected smaller supplies for Canada, Australia and United States which more than offset an increase in

Argentina. Supplies on or about October 1, 1973, in million of bushels, were held as follows, with last year's comparable figures in brackets: Canada, 745.8 (833.5); Australia, 28.3 (89.6); United States, 990.1 (1,402.2); and Argentina, 38.2 (26.5).

Exports of Wheat and Flour in Terms of Wheat, August — September 1972
with Comparisons

August-September	Canada	Australia	United States	Argentina	Total	France
million metric tons						
1950	865	585	860	316	2,626	
1951	1,197	577	2,243	335	4,352	
1952	1,690	343	1,426	—	3,459	
1953	1,448	245	1,140	523	3,356	
1954	1,328	302	901	612	3,143	
1955	1,157	457	1,168	533	3,315	
1956	1,559	792	2,087	468	4,907	
1957	1,415	495	1,853	403	4,167	
1958	1,208	324	1,902	299	3,734	
1959	1,364	484	1,875	291	4,014	
1960	1,540	501	2,678	531	5,250	
1961	1,927	1,100	2,890	63	5,979	
1962	1,437	373	2,801	169	4,779	
1963	2,096	939	3,122	196	6,352	
1964	2,482	710	3,356	449	6,997	
1965	3,081	1,143	3,677	1,377	9,278	
1966	3,176	683	4,297	446	8,603	
1967	1,350	1,413	3,788	38	6,589	
1968	1,794	1,116	2,311	286	5,506	735
1969	1,023	1,478	2,028	310	4,839	860
1970	2,264	1,745	3,146	370	7,525	550
1971	2,681	1,459	3,045	65	7,250	1,061
1972 ^r	2,986	1,121	4,080	332	8,519	1,170
1973 ^p	1,962	465	7,362	169	9,958	767(1)

(1) August only.

The September 1973 issue of "World Agricultural Production and Trade" published by the United States Department of Agriculture stated that:

Record World Wheat Crop World wheat production in 1973 is estimated at 349
Forecast for 1973 million metric tons, 5 per cent over the 1972 outturn
 and 3 per cent above the previous record in 1971. World
wheat area is estimated at 217 million hectares, up 5 per cent for the year and the
largest since 1968.

Canadian wheat production is estimated at 17 million tons, up 17 per cent and the largest crop since 1969. The United States harvested a record 47 million-ton crop, up 12 per cent and 7 per cent above the 1971 high. The U.S. area was 14 per cent above the 1972, although 8 per cent below the record level of 1967.

The West European wheat harvest was off 3 per cent, at 49.8 million tons. The EC crop declined 2 per cent at 40.6 million tons. French production fell 5 per cent to 17.2 million tons, as the principal change. Wheat production in Eastern Europe is estimated moderately above 1972 at 31 million tons. In the Soviet Union, the crop is estimated at 95 million tons, 11 per cent above the poor 1972 outturn.

Beginning with the current report, which is the first world-summary estimate for the 1973 world grain crop, production estimates for the USSR are expressed in terms of gross weight, the same as official Soviet data. African wheat production was somewhat below the high level of a year earlier. The harvest in Asia is estimated at 78.2 million tons, down 3 per cent, with larger crops in the People's Republic of China and Pakistan and smaller in India and Turkey. A good wheat crop is anticipated in Australia with a 16 per cent increase in area. Argentina, on the other hand, had wet weather at planting time and seedings are off about one-fifth.

World Rye Production
and Area Decline

World rye production in 1973 is estimated at 26 million tons, 9 per cent below 1972, continuing its long-term decline. World rye area was also 9 per cent lower.

The principal decline was in the Soviet Union — with production estimated at 8.5 million tons. This is 14 per cent down for the year and only two-thirds of the 1967-71 average. Beginning with the current report, which is the first world-summary estimate for the 1973 world grain crop, production estimates for the USSR are expressed in terms of gross weight, the same as official Soviet data.

Rye production in the United States at 648,000 tons was off 14 per cent.

The West European rye crop is estimated at 4.7 million tons, down 9 per cent. The West German crop declined 11 per cent to 2.7 million tons. East European rye production was off 4 per cent at 10.6 million tons. The Polish crop, at 7.8 million tons was 5 per cent lower as rye area continued to decline. The outturn was, however, above average because of improved yield.

CANADIAN SITUATION

Wheat Supplies Down
from Previous Year

Reflecting a decrease in carryover stocks which more than offset an increase in production total estimated supplies of Canadian wheat for the 1973-74 crop year (August-July) are placed at 987.9 million bushels, 12 per cent below the 1,117.0 million in 1972-73. The 1973 crop of 622.0 million bushels, forecast on the basis of conditions at September 15, represents an increase of 17 per cent over the 533.3 million produced in 1972. At the same time carryover stocks, at 366.0 million, were 37 per cent lower than the 583.8 million at August 1, 1972. Assuming realization of the September forecast of production and after making an allowance of 170.0 million bushels for anticipated domestic requirements, supplies available for export and for carryover during 1973-74 would amount to 817.9 million bushels, 13 per cent below the 943.2 million the previous year.

August-September
Exports Decrease

Exports of wheat and flour, in terms of wheat equivalent, during August-September 1973 amounted to 72.1 million bushels, 34 per cent below the 109.7 million exported during the same two months of 1972. This year's exports consisted of 71.4 million bushels of wheat in bulk, 53 thousand of seed and 0.6 million of flour in terms of wheat. During the August-September period last year these figures were 104.9 million of wheat in bulk, 37 thousand of seed and 4.7 million of flour in wheat equivalent. The balance remaining on October 1, 1973 for export and for carryover amounted to 745.8 million bushels, 11 per cent below the October 1, 1972 total of 833.5 million.

Canadian Wheat Supplies

Item	1972-73 ^r	1973-74 ^P
	million bushels	
Carryover in North America at beginning of crop year (August 1)	583.8	366.0
Production	533.3	622.0(1)
Total estimated supplies	1,117.0	987.9
Less estimated domestic requirements for crop year	173.9	170.0
Available for export and for carryover	943.2	817.9
<u>Deduct</u>		
Exports of wheat in bulk, August - September(2)	104.9	71.4
Exports of seed wheat, August - September(3)	(4)	0.1
Total exports of wheat as grain	105.0	71.5
Exports of wheat flour in terms of wheat, August - September(3)	4.7	0.6
Total exports of wheat and wheat flour	109.7	72.1
Balance on October 1 for export and for carryover	833.5	745.8

- (1) Based on September forecast of production.
 (2) As reported by the Canadian Grain Commission.
 (3) Customs returns, 1972-73 adjusted for time lag.
 (4) Less than 50,000 bushels.

Marketings, Disappearance and Visible Supplies

Total primary deliveries of wheat (both east and west) up to October 10 of the current crop year have amounted to 99.2 million bushels in contrast to 148.0 million marketed during the same period of the previous year. Some 53.7 million bushels of this year's total were delivered during the four weeks September 13 to October 10. During the same period the volume of Canadian wheat entering domestic and export channels amounted to 37.7 million bushels. As a result, the total visible supply of Canadian wheat increased from 231.2 million at September 12 to a level of 248.0 million at October 10, 1973.

The total visible supply of Canadian wheat at October 10 this year represented a decline of 10 per cent from the 1972 comparable total of 276.9 million and was 21 per cent below the 313.1 million of two years ago. Primary elevator stocks, amounting to 168.8 million bushels, showed an increase of 25 per cent over the previous year's figure of 135.4 million but was 5 per cent lower than the 178.2 million of 1971. Wheat stocks at interior terminals at October 10, 1973, totalled 0.5 million bushels, in sharp contrast to both the 3.2 million of a year ago and the 6.6 million of two years ago. The 11.1 million bushels "in transit rail" (western division) were 32 per cent less than the 16.5 million in 1972 but 12 per cent more than the 9.9 million in this position in 1971. Supplies at the Lakehead, totalling some 13.5 million bushels, were considerably lower than both the 28.8 million of last

year and the comparable level of 23.5 million of two years ago. Stocks "in transit lake", amounting to 7.6 million bushels were 39 per cent smaller than the previous year's level of 12.5 million and declined by 2 per cent from the 7.7 million of 1971. The 11.8 million bushels in Bay, Lake and Upper St. Lawrence ports were sharply lower than both the 32.2 million of a year ago and the 36.9 million of two years ago. Supplies in Lower St. Lawrence and Maritime ports at October 10, 1973, at 26.2 million bushels, registered a decrease of 23 per cent from the comparable 1972 figure of 34.0 million, and declined by 32 per cent from the 38.2 million at the same date in 1971. The 3.8 million bushels in West Coast ports (Vancouver-New Westminster, Prince Rupert and Victoria) were substantially below the 7.8 million at October 11, 1972 and the 6.7 million at the comparable date in 1971.

September 1973 Exports of
Wheat and Flour Total
26.1 Million Bushels

Combined exports of wheat in bulk, seed wheat and wheat flour in terms of grain equivalent during September 1973 amounted to 26.1 million bushels, 43 per cent lower than the August 1973 total of 46.1

million, 61 per cent smaller than the 66.6 million exported during September 1972 and 33 per cent below the ten-year (1962-71) average exports for the month of September of 38.9 million.

Exports of wheat in bulk during September 1973 (as reported by the Canadian Grain Commission), amounted to 25.8 million bushels, registering decreases of 44 per cent, 60 per cent and 31 per cent, respectively, from the August 1973 figure of 45.7 million bushels, the September 1972 total of 64.6 million and the ten-year average for the month of September of 37.3 million. Exports of seed wheat during September 1973, based on Canadian Customs returns, amounted to 15 thousand bushels compared with the September 1972 total (adjusted to remove time lag) of 20 thousand bushels. Customs returns also indicate that the equivalent of 295 thousand bushels of wheat was exported in the form of flour during September 1973, 9 per cent below the August 1973 exports of 325 thousand, 85 per cent less than the September 1972 total (adjusted for time lag) of 2.0 million and 87 per cent lower than the ten-year average of 2.3 million.

Cumulative exports of wheat in bulk during the August-September period of the current crop year amounted to 71.4 million bushels, a decrease of 32 per cent from the 104.9 million shipped during the first two months of the 1972-73 crop year and 3 per cent less than the average for the period of 73.6 million. The U.S.S.R. (Russia) was the major market for this grain in the first two months of 1973 with shipments amounting to 23.3 million bushels and accounting for 33 per cent of the total as against 34.7 million bushels (33 per cent) of total, last year. Other principal markets for Canadian wheat during the first two 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: The People's Republic of China, 9.1 (21.2); Britain, 8.7 (7.4); Brazil, 6.8 (5.6); Japan, 5.7 (6.3); Bangladesh, 2.8 (2.6); Cuba, 2.4 (1.5); Germany, West, 2.2 (2.7); Pakistan, 1.6 (3.9); Algeria, 1.9 (1.7); Albania, 1.2 (nil); and Lebanon, 1.2 (1.2). Cumulative exports of seed wheat during August-September of the current crop year, based on Canadian Customs returns, amounted to 53 thousand bushels compared with last year's comparable total (adjusted to remove time lag) of 37 thousand.

Exports of wheat flour by countries of consignment for September 1973 based on Customs data, are not available at this time.

Production of Canada's
1973 Grain Crops

On the basis of yields indicated at September 15, production of the six major grains as well as corn, soybeans and mixed grains this year, with the 1972 totals in brackets, in millions of bushels, is as follows: all wheat, 622.0 (533.3); oats, 323.6 (300.2); barley, 470.4 (518.4); all rye, 14.6 (13.5); flaxseed, 18.8 (17.6); rapeseed, 53.5 (57.3); corn, 104.1 (105.8); soybeans, 13.6 (13.8); and mixed grains, 92.6 (104.3).

Canada's 1973 wheat crop now placed at 622.0 million bushels is 17 per cent above last year's 533.3 million bushels and one per cent above the ten-year (1962-71) average of 614.2 million. Production is higher than the previous year due to a 16 per cent increase in seeded acreage and a slight increase in the average yield. The average yield at 25.1 bushels per acre is slightly above last year's average yield of 25.0 bushels per acre but 5 per cent above the ten-year average of 23.8 bushels per acre. This year's all Canada crop of spring wheat, including durum, is forecast at 607.0 million bushels compared with the 1972 crop of 517.4 million and the ten-year average of 598.8 million bushels. Ontario's winter wheat crop is estimated at 15.0 million bushels a decrease of 6 per cent from last year's crop of 15.9 million.

September Forecast of the 1973 Production of Principal Grain Crops Canada and
Prairie Provinces Compared with Latest Estimates for 1972

Province and crop	Area		Yield per acre		Production	
	1972	1973	1972	1973(1)	1972	1973(1)
	acres				bushels	
CANADA						
Winter wheat	365,000	375,000 ^r	43.5	40.0	15,878,000	15,000,000
Spring wheat(2)	20,984,700	24,385,700	24.7	24.9	517,410,000	606,954,000
All wheat	21,349,700	24,760,700 ^r	25.0	25.1	533,288,000	621,954,000
Oats for grain	6,104,000	6,698,000 ^r	49.2	48.3	300,208,000	323,588,000
Barley	12,510,900	11,958,200	41.4	39.3	518,413,000	470,353,000
Fall rye	593,000	591,500	21.6	23.4	12,784,000	13,822,000
Spring rye	41,500	42,000	17.8	18.7	740,000	785,000
All rye	634,500	633,500	21.3	23.1	13,524,000	14,607,000
Corn for grain	1,327,000	1,286,000 ^r	79.7 ^r	81.0	105,778,000 ^r	104,148,000
Flaxseed	1,321,000	1,450,000	13.3	13.0	17,617,000	18,800,000
Rapeseed	3,270,000	3,150,000	17.5	17.0	57,300,000	53,500,000
Soybeans	405,000	470,000 ^r	34.0 ^r	28.9	13,770,000 ^r	13,583,000
Mixed grains	2,064,900	2,001,500	50.5	46.3	104,285,000	92,637,000
PRAIRIE PROVINCES						
Spring wheat(2)	20,800,000	24,200,000	24.7	24.9	513,000,000	602,000,000
Oats for grain	4,660,000	5,300,000	51.1	50.4	238,000,000	267,000,000
Barley	11,900,000	11,350,000	41.3	39.1	492,000,000	444,000,000
Rye	581,500	582,000	20.5	22.7	11,940,000	13,185,000
Flaxseed	1,320,000	1,450,000	13.3	13.0	17,600,000	18,800,000
Rapeseed	3,270,000	3,150,000	17.5	17.0	57,300,000	53,500,000

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

(2) Includes durum wheat in the Prairie Provinces where Canada's commercial production of this crop is concentrated and also relatively small quantities of winter wheat in provinces other than Ontario.

In the Prairie Provinces the 1973 wheat crop is now placed at 602.0 million bushels, some 89.0 million bushels or 17 per cent above the 1972 crop. The current crop is above that of 1972 in Manitoba where production is forecast at 80.0 million bushels compared with 69.0 million last year. Production in Saskatchewan which accounts for about 63 per cent of this year's all Canada wheat crop is estimated at 389.0 million bushels, some 19 per cent more than last year's outturn of 326.0 million. The Alberta crop forecast at 133.0 million bushels is up 13 per cent from last year's production of 118.0 million. The indicated average yield per seeded acre in the Prairie Provinces on the basis of conditions at mid-September is 24.9 bushels, with Manitoba averaging 25.8, Saskatchewan 24.0 and Alberta 27.1 bushels. Current estimates of production in the Prairie Provinces include relatively small quantities of winter wheat principally in Alberta, and an estimated 56.9 million bushels of durum wheat.

Durum wheat. — The 1973 acreage of durum wheat in the Prairie Provinces is 19 per cent less than that seeded in 1972, and the average yield estimated at 22.3 bushels per acre is 4 per cent below the 1972 level. Mid-September indications are for a crop of 56.9 million bushels compared with the 1972 crop of 73.5 million. Estimated production by province, in millions of bushels, is as follows: Manitoba, 2.4; Saskatchewan, 49.0; and Alberta, 5.5.

September Forecast of the 1973 Production of Durum Wheat(1)
in the Prairie Provinces Compared with 1972

Province	Area		Yield per acre		Production	
	1972	1973	1972	1973(1)	1972	1973(2)
	acres		bushels			
Manitoba	160,000	100,000	25.0	24.0	4,000,000	2,400,000
Saskatchewan	2,700,000	2,200,000	23.0	22.3	62,000,000	49,000,000
Alberta	300,000	250,000	25.0	22.0	7,500,000	5,500,000
Total	3,160,000	2,550,000	23.3	22.3	73,500,000	56,900,000

(1) Acreage and production included with spring wheat.

(2) As indicated on the basis of conditions on or about September 15.

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 to October 19, 1973

5,213 advances totalling \$16,312,349

Outstanding advances on October 19, 1973

Issued in 1972-73 96,757
Issued in 1971-72 516,469
Issued in 1970-71 and prior 2,770,979

Total outstanding advances \$ 3,384,205

General Quotas 1973-74 as at Tuesday, October 9, 1973
Canadian National Railway Blocks

No.	Name	<u>Wheat (all others)</u>	<u>Utility wheat</u>	<u>Durum</u>	<u>Hercules Durum</u>
		A	A	A	B
bushels per quota acre					
01	Winnipeg N. ...	5	5	5	5
03	Winnipeg S. ...	5	5	5	5
05	Winnipeg W. ...	5	5	5	5
07	Brandon N. ...	5	5	5	5
09	Brandon W. ...	5	5	5	5
11	Melville	5	5	5	5
13	Dauphin	5	5	5	5
15	Kamsack	5	5	5	5
17	Saskatoon M. ..	5	5	5	5
19	Saskatoon S. ..	5	5	5	5
21	Saskatoon W. ..	5	5	5	5
23	Saskatoon N. ..	5	5	5	5
25	Pr. Albert E. .	5	5	5	5
27	Pr. Albert S. .	5	5	5	5
29	Pr. Albert W. .	5	5	5	5
31	Saskatoon E. ..	5	5	5	5
33	Regina S.	5	5	5	5
35	Regina W.	5	5	5	5
37	Biggar N.	5	5	5	5
39	Biggar W.	5	5	5	5
41	Edmonton N. ...	5	5	5	5
43	Edmonton S. ...	5	5	5	5
45	Edmonton W. ...	5	5	5	5
47	Hanna S.	5	5	5	5
49	Hanna W.	5	5	5	5
90	Nar West	5	5	5	5
98	G.S.L.	5	5	5	5

General Quotas 1973-74 as at Tuesday, October 9, 1973
Canadian Pacific Railway Blocks

No.	Name	<u>Wheat (all others)</u>	<u>Utility wheat</u>	<u>Durum</u>	<u>Hercules Durum</u>
		A	A	A	B
bushels per quota acre					
61	Keewatin	5	5	5	5
62	La Riviere	5	5	5	5
63	Carberry	5	5	5	5
64	Brandon	5	5	5	5
71	Weyburn	5	5	5	5
72	Pasqua	5	5	5	5
73	Bulyea	5	5	5	5
74	Bredenbury	5	5	5	5
75	Saskatoon	5	5	5	5
76	Wilkie	5	5	5	5
77	Assiniboia	5	5	5	5
78	Swift Current .	5	5	5	5
79	Outlook	5	5	5	5
81	Medicine Hat ..	5	5	5	5
82	Brooks	5	5	5	5
83	Lethbridge	5	5	5	5
84	Vulcan	5	5	5	5
85	Calgary	5	5	5	5
86	Red Deer	5	5	5	5
87	Edmonton	5	5	5	5
95	N.A.R. East ...	5	5	5	5
	B.C. Stations .	5	5	5	5

General Quotas 1973-74 as at Tuesday, October 9, 1973

<u>A</u> bushels per quota acre		
Alberta Red Winter	5	All blocks
Soft White Spring	5	All blocks
Rye	20	All blocks
Flaxseed	15	All blocks
Rapeseed (other)	15	All blocks

Special Quotas as at Tuesday, October 9, 1973

Selected Soft White Spring Wheat	Rail - 1 carlot (40 assigned acres)	All blocks
	Truck - 50 bushels per assigned acre	
Selected Oats	Rail - 1 carlot (60 assigned acres)	All blocks
	Truck - 50 bushels per assigned acre	
Rye for distilleries	30 bushels per assigned quota acre	All blocks
Flaxseed for processors	20 bushels per assigned quota acre	All blocks
Rapeseed (low erucic acid)		
Rapeseed for crushers	25 bushels per assigned quota acre	All blocks
Two-Row barley		
Six-Row barley (olli variety)		
Malting Pot & Pearling barley	50 bushels per assigned quota acre	All blocks

Sales of Wheat, Oats and Barley
for Domestic Livestock and
Poultry Feeding Purposes ex
Thunder Bay and Country Elevators

On October 22, 1973 The Canadian Wheat Board in its Instruction to the Trade, Shippers and Exporters No. 15 for the crop year 1973-74 to all Shippers and Exporters (including mills who are also shippers) Eastern and Western

Division stated that effective immediately and until further notice, the Board will, on application, give consideration to the sale of wheat, oats and barley in store Thunder Bay and Country Elevators to shippers on a provisional price basis for sale in Eastern Canada or British Columbia. The Board reserves the right to consider each application on its merit, to accept or reject any application and to limit the volume of such transactions with any shipper.

Sales of wheat, oats and barley on a provisional price basis will only be made to shippers who have entered into a provisional sales agreement with the Board.

The basis on which sales of wheat, oats and barley under this arrangement will be made is as follows:

1. The provisional price per bushel for No. 3 Canada Western Red Spring Wheat, No. 1 Feed Oats and No. 1 Feed Barley will be the Canadian Wheat Board's domestic selling price in store Thunder Bay at time of shipment for the grades concerned. The provisional price for grades of wheat other than No. 3 Canada Western Red Spring will be based on the Board's selling spread for the grade concerned in relation to its selling price for No. 3 Canada Western Red Spring Wheat at that time. The provisional price for grades of oats other than No. 1 Feed will be based on the Board's selling spread for the grade concerned in relation to its selling price for No. 1 Feed Oats at that time. The provisional price for grades of barley other than No. 1 Feed will be based on the Board's selling spread for the grade concerned in relation to its selling price for No. 1 Feed Barley at that time.
2. In the case of sample lots of wheat, oats or barley which include two or more grades, an average provisional price will be computed at the Board's selling spreads for the grades concerned in relation to No. 3 Canada Western Red Spring Wheat, No. 1 Feed Oats and No. 1 Feed Barley at that time.
3. Stocks of wheat, oats and barley carried on a provisional price basis may not be shipped from licensed eastern terminals in which they are stored until a sale has been made and reported to the Board.
4. All sales from stocks of wheat, oats or barley carried on a provisional price basis must be reported to the Board immediately. The reports must show the details of stocks (Lake Vessel and Port) to be applied, the purchaser's name, the date and time of sale, bushels, grade and date of shipment.

Provisional sales of wheat, oats and barley may be made by shippers to their customers under the terms and conditions as outlined in this instruction, providing they have first entered into a provisional sales agreement with the Board.

5. Feed grades of wheat, oats and barley that are moved by laker from Thunder Bay can be flatted basis the Board's quoted price at time of shipment, or

can be booked on a deferred price basis, on the following conditions:

- (a) Such feeding grains moved into eastern positions on a flat basis will have to be shipped out of licensed facilities in eastern Canada within a thirty day period. If such feeding grains have not been moved by the end of that period, it is understood that on any grain that has not been shipped out of a licensed facility, the price will automatically be adjusted to the Board's current selling price in effect on the day the grain is moved.
 - (b) On deferred price contracts the shipper can flat any portion of the quantity moved to eastern positions which will be sold and moved out of these facilities within a thirty day period.
6. With regard to rail shipments whether direct from country points or from Thunder Bay, the agent can enter into a sales commitment with the Board to ensure supplies for customers in eastern Canada but it is to be understood that the price for carlot shipments cannot be flat until date of bill of lading, or can be left on a deferred price basis from date of bill of lading for a fifteen day period when shipped from Thunder Bay or for a twenty day period when shipped from country points. However, if the Board's selling price changes within that fifteen or twenty day period and the carlot is on a deferred price basis, the Board's price for the grade and quality concerned as announced at the close of the market on the fifteenth day on shipments from Thunder Bay or on the twentieth day on shipments from country points, will automatically become the final price.

When and as the final price of the wheat, oats or barley is established as above, an adjustment between the Board and the buyer will be made on the undermentioned basis:

- (a) If the final selling price for the grade and quality concerned is less than the provisional price (both in store the port of shipment concerned), the Board assumes the liability for and undertakes to immediately refund to the buyer such difference in price per bushel calculated on the quantity of wheat, oats or barley involved.
 - (b) If the final selling price for the grade and quality concerned exceeds the provisional price (both in store the port of shipment concerned), the buyer assumes the liability for and undertakes to immediately pay to the Board such difference in price per bushel calculated on the quantity of wheat, oats or barley involved.
 - (c) No interest will be allowed or charged on either adjustment.
7. The quantity originally loaded at Thunder Bay or Country Elevators and invoiced provisionally to the shipper will be the quantity against which final sales will be applied. All shortages must be booked with the Board basis the selling price in effect for No. 3 Canada Western Red Spring Wheat, No. 1 Feed Oats or No. 1 Feed Barley on the date of unload.
8. All storage, interest, insurance and forwarding charges, etc. from in store shipping position are to be for shippers' account from agreed date of delivery of the grain at Thunder Bay or Country Elevators.

9. Wheat, oats or barley purchased from the Board on a provisional price basis must be kept fully insured by the shipper until such time as final booking and settlement is made with the Board, with loss payable firstly to the Board as its interest may appear.
10. Unless otherwise agreed with the Board, wheat, oats or barley purchased on a provisional price basis may only be shipped for unload and storage in a licensed eastern terminal.
11. If the Board is satisfied that the shipper has made a sale and has not reported it for booking with the Board prior to the period described above, or if the shipper has made a sale for human consumption, then the Board may discontinue its agreement with the particular shipper concerned.
12. A statement of all unsold stocks of wheat, oats or barley carried on a provisional price basis must be submitted to the Board at the end of each thirty day period from bill of lading date, setting out the position, grade and quantity. This statement must be certified by a responsible official of the Company or by the Company's auditors.
13. The provisions contained in this circular apply only to stocks of wheat, oats or barley purchased from the Board under its provisional sales agreement.

Local Sales of Wheat,
Oats and Barley ex
Country Elevators

On October 22, 1973 The Canadian Wheat Board in its Instructions to the Trade No. 18 for the 1973-74 crop year stated that:

For human consumption in Canada. - All local sales of Board wheat ex country elevators to be milled into flour or other products for human consumption will be made on the basis of the Board's domestic selling prices in store Thunder Bay basis \$3.25 per bushels for 1 C.W. Red Spring, 13.5 per cent Protein, or \$5.75 per bushel for No. 1 C.W. Durum, as the case may be.

For the purpose of this Instruction, the following grades of wheat are considered as milling grades and should be sold basis 1 C.W. Red Spring, 13.5 per cent Protein, basis \$3.25 per bushel, or No. 1 C.W. Durum at \$5.75 per bushel:

1. No. 1 Canada Western Red Spring Wheat and the Toughs and Damps thereof.
2. No. 2 Canada Western Red Spring Wheat and the Toughs and Damps thereof.
3. No. 3 Canada Western Red Spring Wheat and the Toughs and Damps thereof.
4. No. 1 to No. 4 Alberta Winters inclusive and the Toughs and Damps thereof.
5. No. 1 to No. 4 Soft White Spring inclusive and the Toughs and Damps thereof.
6. All grades of Durum Wheat.

The spreads to be used to establish the prices of grades of wheat below 1 C.W. Red Spring or No. 1 C.W. Durum will be the Board's export price spreads.

Prices for local sales of oats and barley for human consumption must be obtained from the Sales Division of the Board's Winnipeg office.

For livestock and poultry feeding in Canada — wheat. — Local sales for grades of wheat higher than No. 3 Canada Western Red Spring Wheat and the Toughs and Damps thereof, ex country elevators for livestock and poultry feeding purposes will be basis the Board's export selling price in store Thunder Bay or Vancouver as announced daily.

Local sales of livestock or poultry feeding purposes of No. 3 Canada Western Red Spring Wheat will be made basis the Board's domestic feed selling price in store Thunder Bay or Vancouver as announced daily.

The price for grades of wheat other than No. 3 Canada Western Red Spring and higher grades will be based on the Board's selling spread for the grade concerned in relation to the selling price for No. 3 Canada Western Red Spring at the time of sale.

Oats and barley. — Local sales of grades of oats and barley higher than the grade of No. 1 Feed ex country elevators for livestock and poultry feeding purposes will be basis the Board's daily quoted selling price.

Local sales for livestock or poultry feeding purposes of No. 1 Feed Oats or No. 1 Feed Barley ex country elevators will also be basis the Board's domestic feed selling price in store Thunder Bay or Vancouver as announced daily.

The price for grades of oats and barley lower than No. 1 Feed Oats or No. 1 Feed Barley will be based on the Board's selling spread for the grade concerned in relation to the selling price for No. 1 Feed Oats or No. 1 Feed Barley at the time of sale.

General. — FOR EACH LOCAL SALE MADE AT A PRIMARY ELEVATOR A FEED GRAIN PURCHASE DECLARATION (AS PER COPY ATTACHED) MUST BE COMPLETED IN TRIPLICATE BY THE PURCHASER AND ELEVATOR MANAGER WITH THE ORIGINAL COPY TO BE RETURNED TO THE BOARD ATTACHED TO THE DELIVERY REPORT (FORM 25) SUBMITTED EACH WEEK. THE SECOND COPY IS TO BE RETAINED BY THE ELEVATOR MANAGER AND THE THIRD COPY IS TO BE GIVEN TO THE PURCHASER.

Feed Grain Purchase Declarations will be supplied by the Board and will be available for distribution in the near future.

In the case of local sales of wheat, oats and barley ex country elevators at delivery points with a freight differential in favour of Vancouver, the Vancouver freight rate will be allowed. At other delivery points, the Thunder Bay freight rate will be allowed.

Companies are requested to advise their elevator managers that, until further notice, local sales ex country elevators of wheat, oats and barley in quantities not exceeding five hundred (500) bushels per elevator per day may be made on the basis of the above prices, and the grain sold under this daily limitation must be removed from the elevator immediately.

Local sales of wheat, oats and barley in excess of five hundred (500) bushels per day must not be made without first entering into a contract with the Sales Division of the Board's Winnipeg office and the Board reserves the right to limit quantities to be booked. Bushels remaining unshipped fifteen (15) days after date of booking will be repriced at the then current price and every fifteen (15) days thereafter. Carrying charges will be for the account of the shipper on grain unshipped fifteen (15) days from date of contract.

IN ALL CASES A DELIVERY REPORT MUST BE MADE UP AND SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD WITHIN ONE WEEK OF THE DATE OF SALE, THE DELIVERY REPORT TO SHOW THE BOARD'S SALES CONTRACT NUMBER, DATE OF SALE, QUANTITY AND GRADE OF GRAIN AND DATE OF DELIVERY.

This authorization shall expire on the 31st day of July, 1974.

Wheat Shipments to the United States by Destination Total rail shipments of wheat to the United States, either for re-export or retention for domestic use, for the August 1 - October 10 period of the 1973-74 crop year amounted to 7,000 bushels. During the same period of 1971-72 vessel shipments amounted to 95,000 bushels.

Wheat Shipments(1) to the United States by Destination
August 1 - October 10, 1973 with Comparisons

Destination	1971-72	1972-73	1973-74
		bushels	
<u>By Vessel</u>			
Hawaii	95,200	—	—
<u>By Rail</u>			
U.S.A. domestic points	—	—	6,840
Total shipments	95,200	—	6,840

(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-September 1973 amounted to only 4,000 bushels compared with the August-September 1972 figure of 1,154,000 bushels.

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

Origin of shipments	August 1 - September 30, 1972	August 1 - September 30, 1973
		bushels
Port McNicoll	—	4,000
Midland, Tiffin	1,153,767	—
Total	1,153,767	4,000

Lake Shipments of Canadian Grain

Total shipments of the six major grains out of Lakehead terminals from the opening of navigation to October 10 this year amounted to 307.8 million bushels, 26 per cent less than the comparable 1972 figure of 417.0 million but 19 per cent above the ten-year (1962-71) average for the period of 257.9 million. In 1973 the season of navigation opened on March 30 while the 1972 season opened on April 14. Shipments of wheat, at 207.4 million were 14 per cent below the 239.9 million of 1972.

Lake Shipments of Canadian Grain from the Opening of Navigation to October 10, 1973 and to Approximately the Same Date, 1962 to 1972

Year	Wheat	Oats	Barley	Rye	Flaxseed	Rapeseed	Total
thousand bushels							
1962	100,500	12,907	17,838	3,589	4,213	—	139,047
1963	141,167	30,067	20,940	1,844	4,564	—	198,583
1964	280,597	23,848	28,051	4,069	6,040	—	342,603
1965	206,076	35,955	29,547	3,345	7,510	559	282,992
1966	284,232	20,270	28,091	5,818	9,432	653	348,496
1967	167,830	25,390	50,002	4,686	6,658	862	255,427
1968	120,545	12,154	16,629	1,451	3,102	326	154,207
1969	106,337	11,757	28,816	1,424	5,234	804	154,371
1970	196,947	15,026	92,299	2,268	8,317	3,192	318,050
1971	226,332	20,066	110,997	3,994	11,953	11,618	384,960
1972	239,856	20,245	129,311	3,176	11,089	13,350	417,026
1973	207,388	11,595	69,162	1,592	8,236	9,797	307,769

Farmers' Marketings

Deliveries of wheat from farms in the Prairie Provinces up to October 10 of the current crop year amounted to 94.3 million bushels, 33 per cent below the comparable 1972 total of 140.9 million but 38 per cent more than the ten-year (1962-71) average for the period of 68.3 million bushels.

Farmers' Marketings(1) of Wheat in the Prairie Provinces 1973-74

Week ending	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	Total	Last year
bushels					
August 8, 1973	—	50,143	—	50,143	5,025,148
15	—	190,009	38,211	228,220	4,025,683
22	1,657,641	2,028,800	1,645,290	5,331,731	17,193,810
29	937,694	8,970,755	2,804,882	12,713,331	16,694,633
September 5	2,389,810	7,052,089	2,240,705	11,682,604	20,288,150
12	770,246	9,274,583	1,810,084	11,854,913	18,672,141
19	2,282,726	10,108,515	1,869,119	14,260,360	19,788,457
26	1,758,977	8,281,744	5,548,413	15,589,134	11,112,424
October 3	1,638,890	8,219,300	769,398	10,627,588	8,143,985
10	1,249,505	8,077,122	2,640,662	11,967,289	20,000,709
Total	12,685,489	62,253,060	19,366,764	94,305,313	140,945,140
Average similar period: 1962-71 ..	9,133,399	44,735,209	14,412,011	68,280,619	

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

Visible Supply of Canadian Wheat, October 10, 1973
Compared with Approximately the Same Date, 1971 and 1972

Position	1971	1972	1973
	thousand bushels		
Primary elevators — Manitoba	18,283	15,336	13,876
Saskatchewan	109,156	89,031	116,552
Alberta	50,734	31,027	38,328
Sub-total	178,173	135,394	168,756
Process elevators	3,938	3,800	3,113
Interior terminals	6,611	3,151	544
Vancouver-New Westminster	5,271	6,363	3,505
Victoria	290	286	84
Prince Rupert	1,092	1,116	237
Churchill	1,100	2,191	1,160
Thunder Bay	23,451	28,829	13,546
In transit rail (western division)	9,946	16,454	11,137
Bay, Lake and Upper St. Lawrence ports	36,928	32,198	11,773
Lower St. Lawrence and Maritime ports	38,245	34,001	26,181
In transit lake	7,729	12,520	7,593
In transit rail (eastern division)	358	605	330
Total	313,132	276,908	247,959

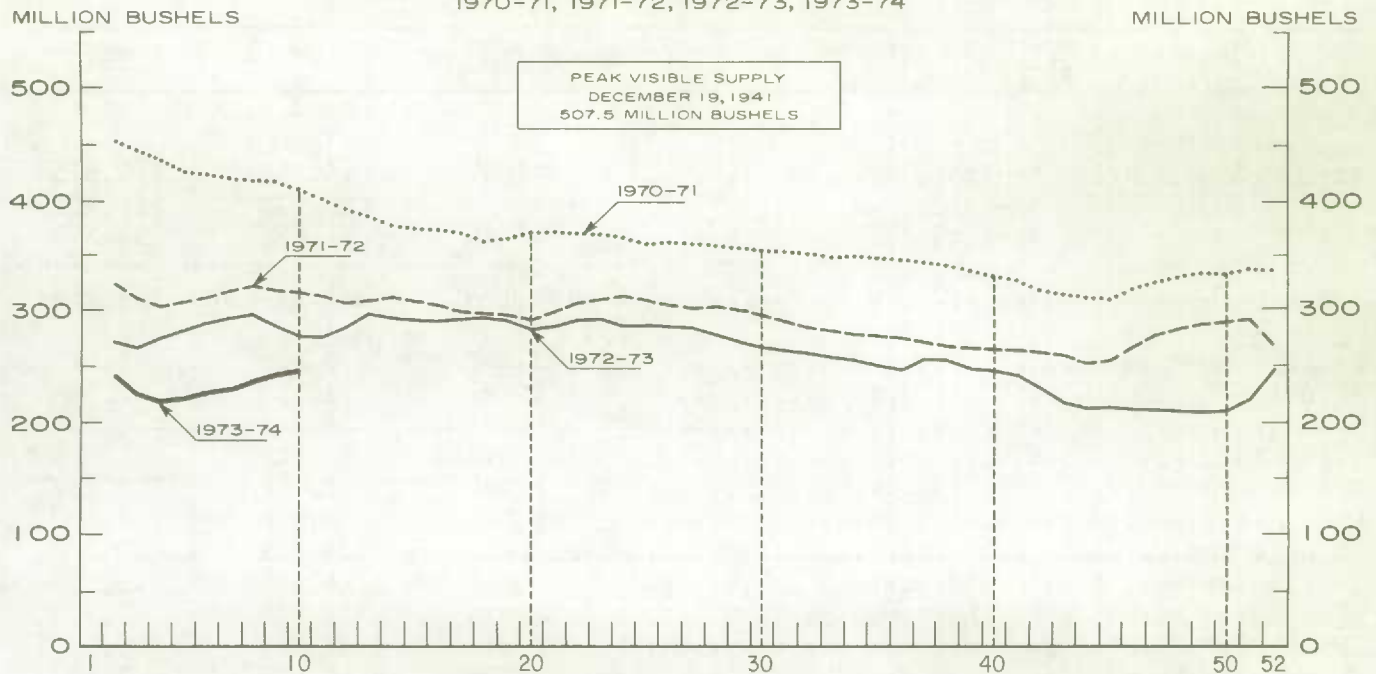
Grading of Wheat Inspected, August-September 1973 with Comparisons

Grade	Crop year		August-September			
	1971-72	1972-73	1972		1973	
	per cent		cars per cent		cars per cent	
1 C.W. Red Spring	60.1	57.4	40,973	62.4	18,812	62.1
2 C.W. Red Spring	19.8	14.6	11,134	17.0	3,334	11.0
3 C.W. Red Spring	1.8	7.5	3,216	4.9	1,538	5.1
1 Canada Utility	(1)	(1)	18	(1)	7	(1)
2 Canada Utility	—	(1)	4	(1)	2	(1)
3 Canada Utility	0.2	0.6	496	0.8	203	0.7
Others Red Spring	4.4	8.0	2,718	4.1	1,915	6.3
C.W. White Spring	0.3	0.4	33	0.1	76	0.3
C.W. Mixed Wheat	0.1	(1)	37	0.1	1	(1)
Alberta Winter	0.6	0.6	201	0.3	96	0.3
Nos. 1-6 C.W. Amber Durum ..	12.3	10.6	6,690	10.2	4,172	13.8
Other C.W. Amber Durum	0.3	0.3	140	0.2	154	0.5
Total	100.0	100.0	65,660	100.0	30,310	100.0
Gross bushels (approx.)			137,426,000		65,444,000	

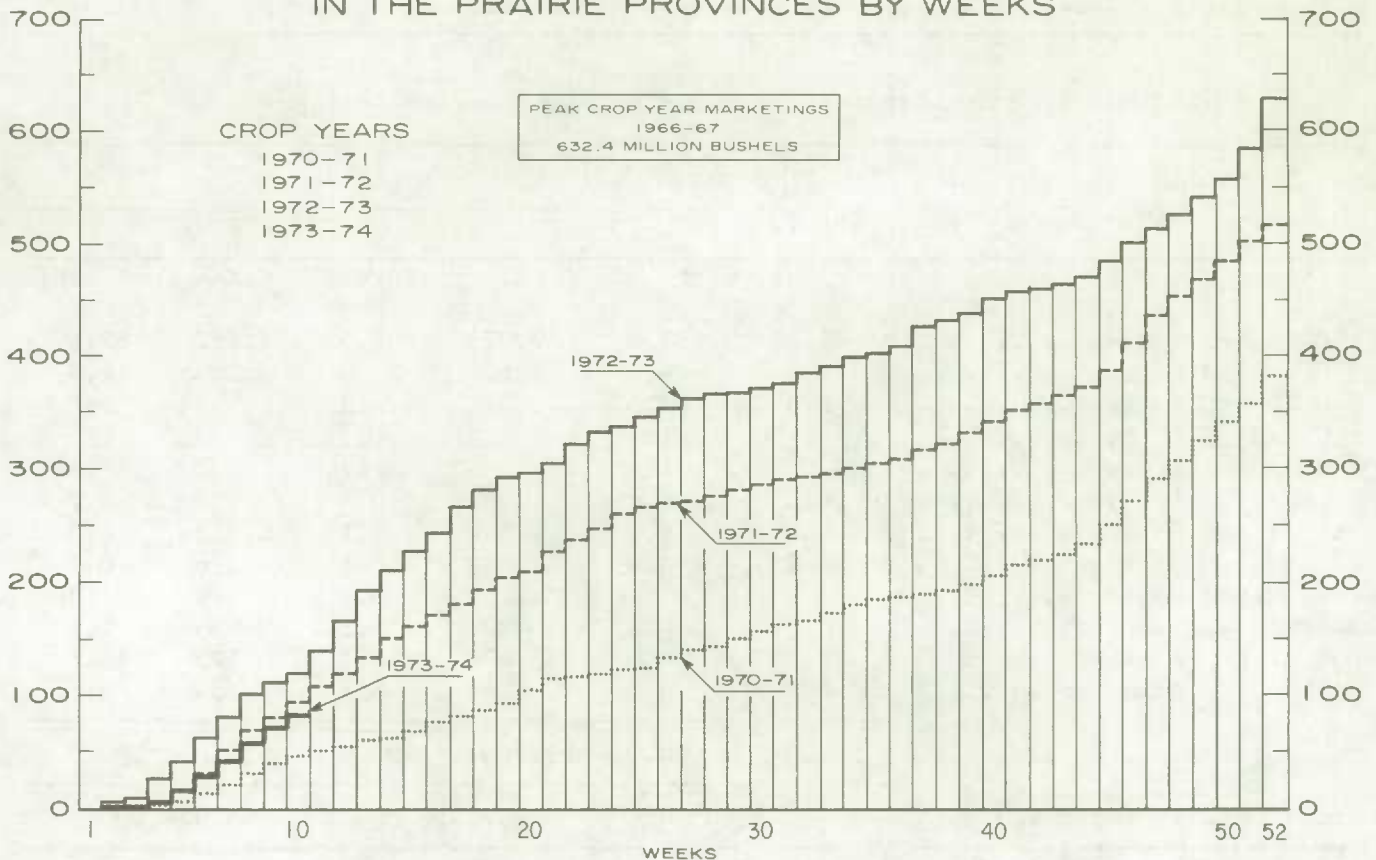
(1) Less than .05 per cent.

WEEKLY VISIBLE SUPPLY OF CANADIAN WHEAT

1970-71, 1971-72, 1972-73, 1973-74



CUMULATIVE RECORD OF WHEAT MARKETINGS IN THE PRAIRIE PROVINCES BY WEEKS



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

Rail Shipments of Wheat from Thunder Bay 1970-71 - 1973-74

Month	1970-71	1971-72	1972-73	1973-74
bushels				
August	169,566	181,419	208,597	147,240
September	244,549	195,721	193,397	199,219
October	176,450	128,382	97,166	
November	178,523	158,083	313,262	
December	330,120	193,204	339,487	
January	525,019	1,420,522	625,164	
February	552,926	2,392,713	1,026,705	
March	418,387	1,728,504	650,493	
April	407,206	260,435	251,045	
May	187,347	189,234	223,640	
June	156,548	223,019	210,071	
July	200,415	141,665	256,160	
Total	3,547,056	7,212,901	4,395,187	

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

Grade	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario
bushels				
C.W. Red Spring	24,000	32,000	6,400	4,000
Feed Grades	54,000	56,000	15,484	3,335
Durum	—	—	4,000	—
Total	78,000	88,000	25,884	7,335

Overseas Exports of Canadian Grain by Ports of Loading,
August 1 - October 10, 1973 with Comparisons

Port	Wheat(1)	Durum wheat(1)	Oats(1)	Barley	Rye	Flax- seed	Rape- seed
thousand bushels							
<u>Pacific Seaboard</u>							
Van. - New Westminster ..	22,916	497	71	6,358	532	700	6,037
Victoria	355	—	—	—	—	—	—
Prince Rupert	725	—	—	—	—	—	—
<u>Churchill</u>	8,865	—	—	7,607	—	—	—
<u>Thunder Bay Direct</u>	707	—	—	535	383	1,161	3,059
<u>St. Lawrence</u>							
Montreal	8,568	5,892	—	2,748	207	—	—
Sorel	1,790	—	—	858	—	—	—
Trois-Rivières	4,199	497	—	1,420	—	—	—
Quebec	3,285	906	—	367	—	341	40
Baie Comeau	9,217	917	—	3,344	156	—	—
Port Cartier	11,692	1,998	—	1,922	—	—	—
<u>Maritime Port</u>							
Halifax	269	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	72,587	10,706	71	25,157	1,278	2,203	9,137
August 1 - October 11, 1972.	115,732	15,655	842	29,746	1,389	4,735	9,954

(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-September 1973 amounted to 5,221,000 bushels, 11 per cent below the 5,856,000 shipped during the same two

months of 1972. The bulk of the shipments during the current months under review went to destinations in Quebec and Ontario with these two provinces accounting for a combined 74 per cent of the total. During August-September these same provinces accounted for 82 per cent of the total.

Provincial Distribution of Wheat Shipments under the Feed Grain Assistance Regulations August-September 1973 and 1972

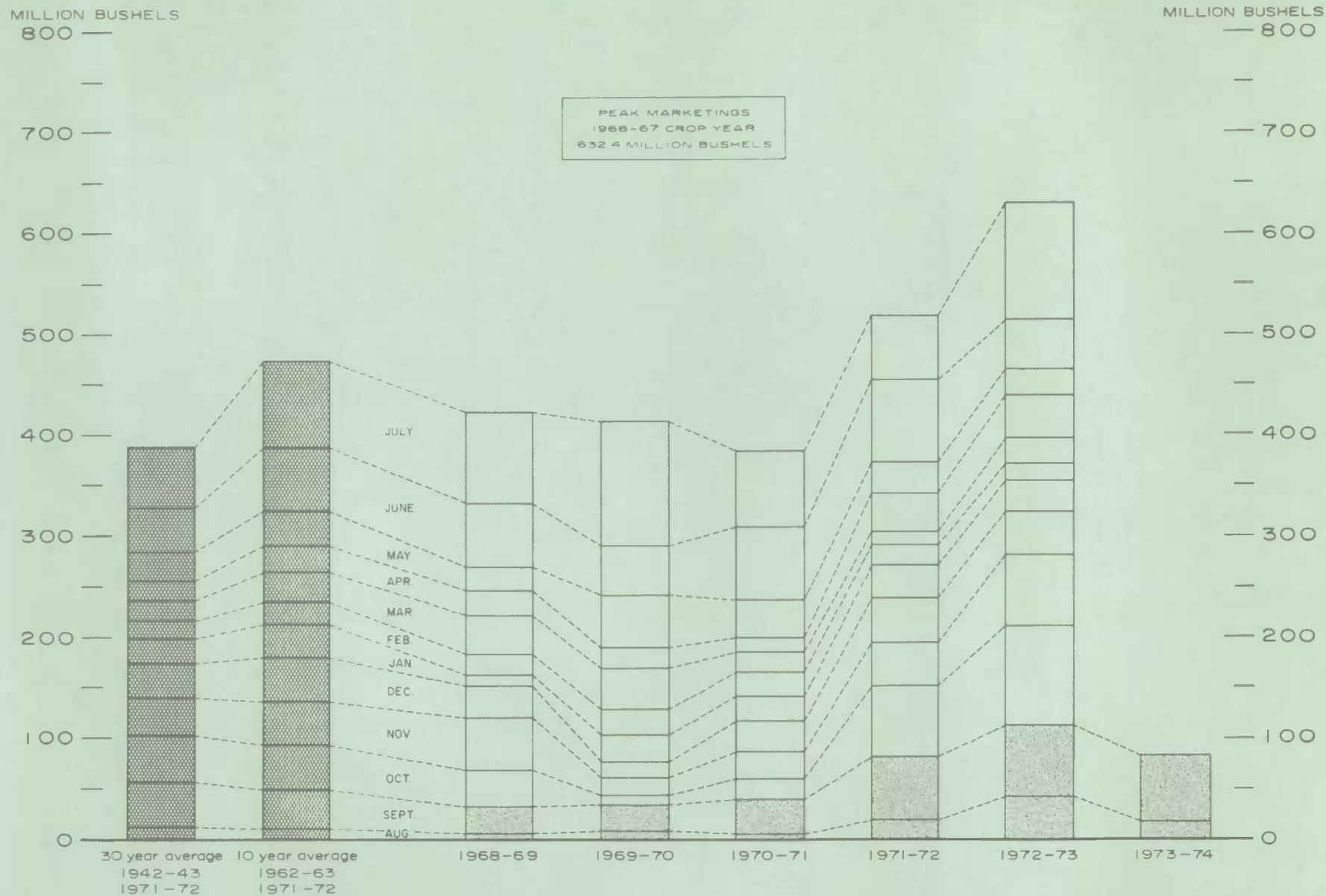
Month	Western wheat							Total
	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	B.C.	
	thousand bushels							
August 1973	2	26	361	145	1,694	640	331	3,199
September	3	12	111	38	938	598	323	2,022
Total	4	38	472	183	2,632	1,238	654	5,221
Same months 1972	11	119	255	170	3,248	1,534	518	5,856

Millfeed shipments under the Feed Grain Assistance Regulations indicate shipments of 57,546 tons during August-September 1973. Shipments for the two-month total of the previous crop year amounted to 59,665 tons. The greater portion of the millfeed shipments during the period under review went to destinations in Quebec and Ontario.

Provincial Distribution of Millfeed Shipments under the Feed Grain Assistance Regulations August - September 1973 and 1972

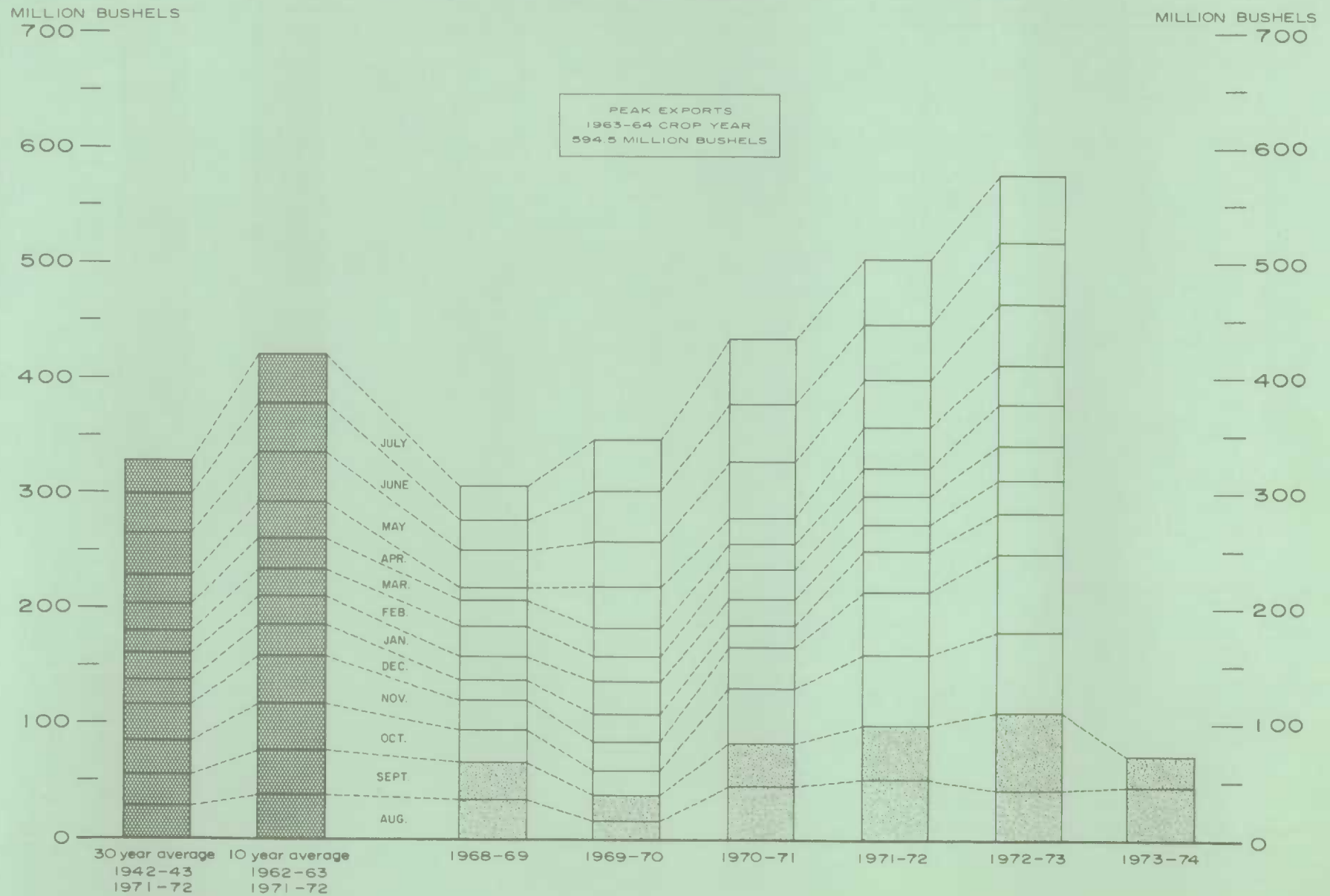
Province	August - September	
	1972	1973
	tons	
Newfoundland	—	2
Prince Edward Island	423	243
Nova Scotia	1,126	1,463
New Brunswick	1,119	753
Quebec	30,629	30,251
Ontario	20,145	21,951
British Columbia	6,223	2,883
Total	59,665	57,546

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



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EXPORTS OF CANADIAN WHEAT* AND WHEAT FLOUR** (SPECIFIED PERIODS)



*Beginning with 1955-56 includes seed wheat.

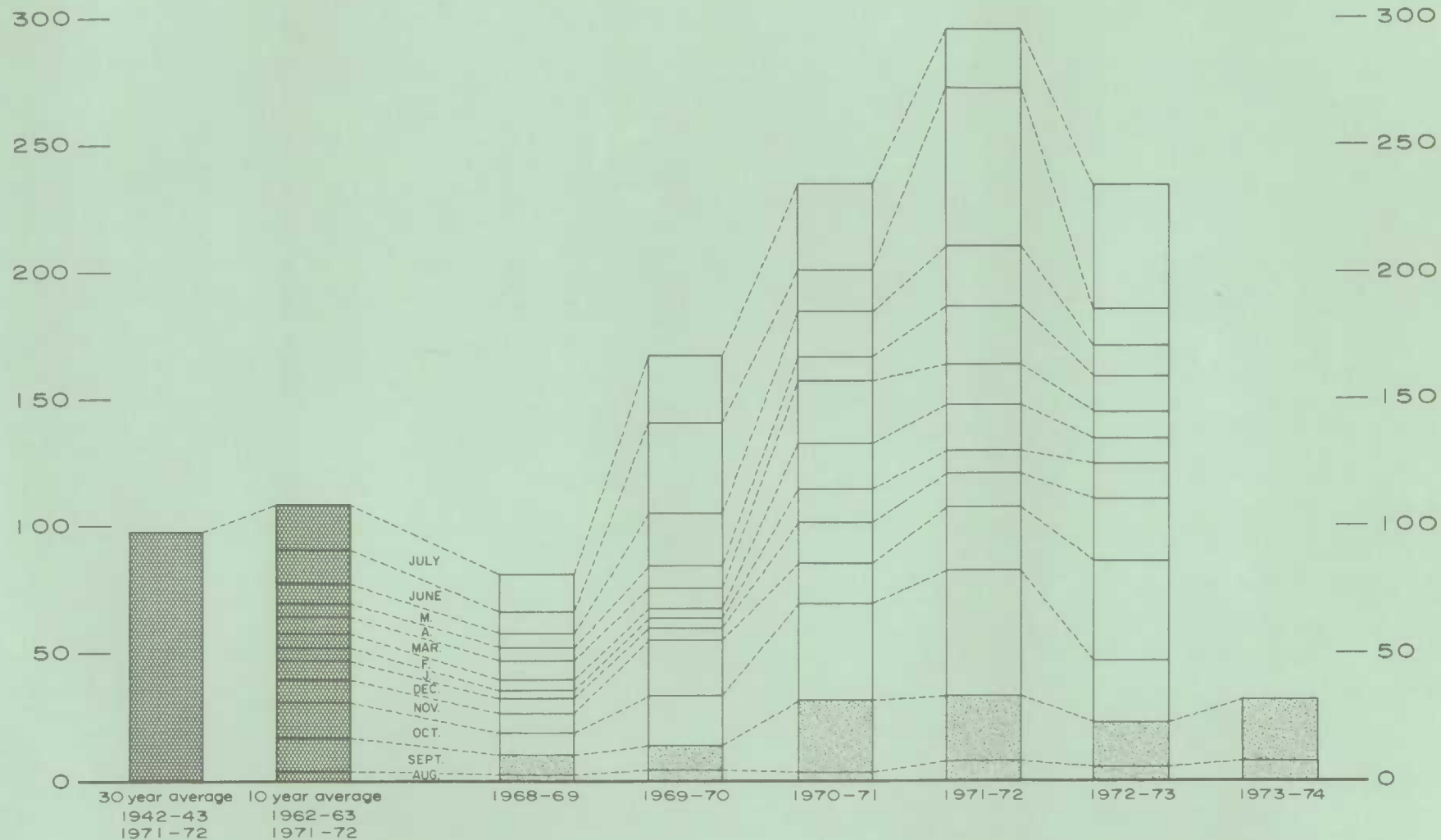
**In terms of wheat equivalent.

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

MILLION BUSHELS
350 —

MILLION BUSHELS
— 350



Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada

EXPORTS OF CANADIAN BARLEY AND BARLEY PRODUCTS* (SPECIFIED PERIODS)

MILLION BUSHEL
250 —

MILLION BUSHEL
— 250

225 —

— 225

200 —

— 200

175 —

— 175

150 —

— 150

125 —

— 125

100 —

— 100

75 —

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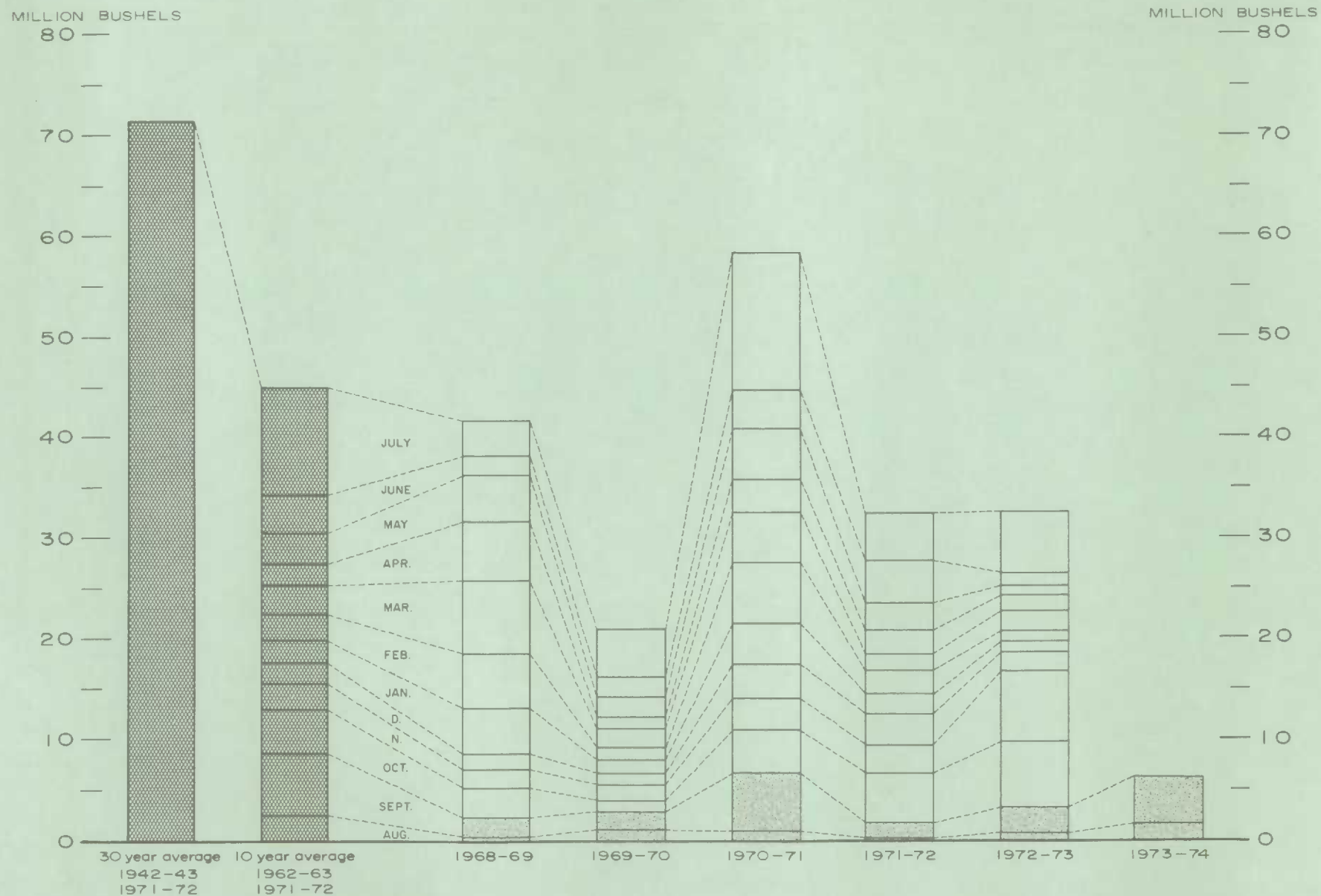
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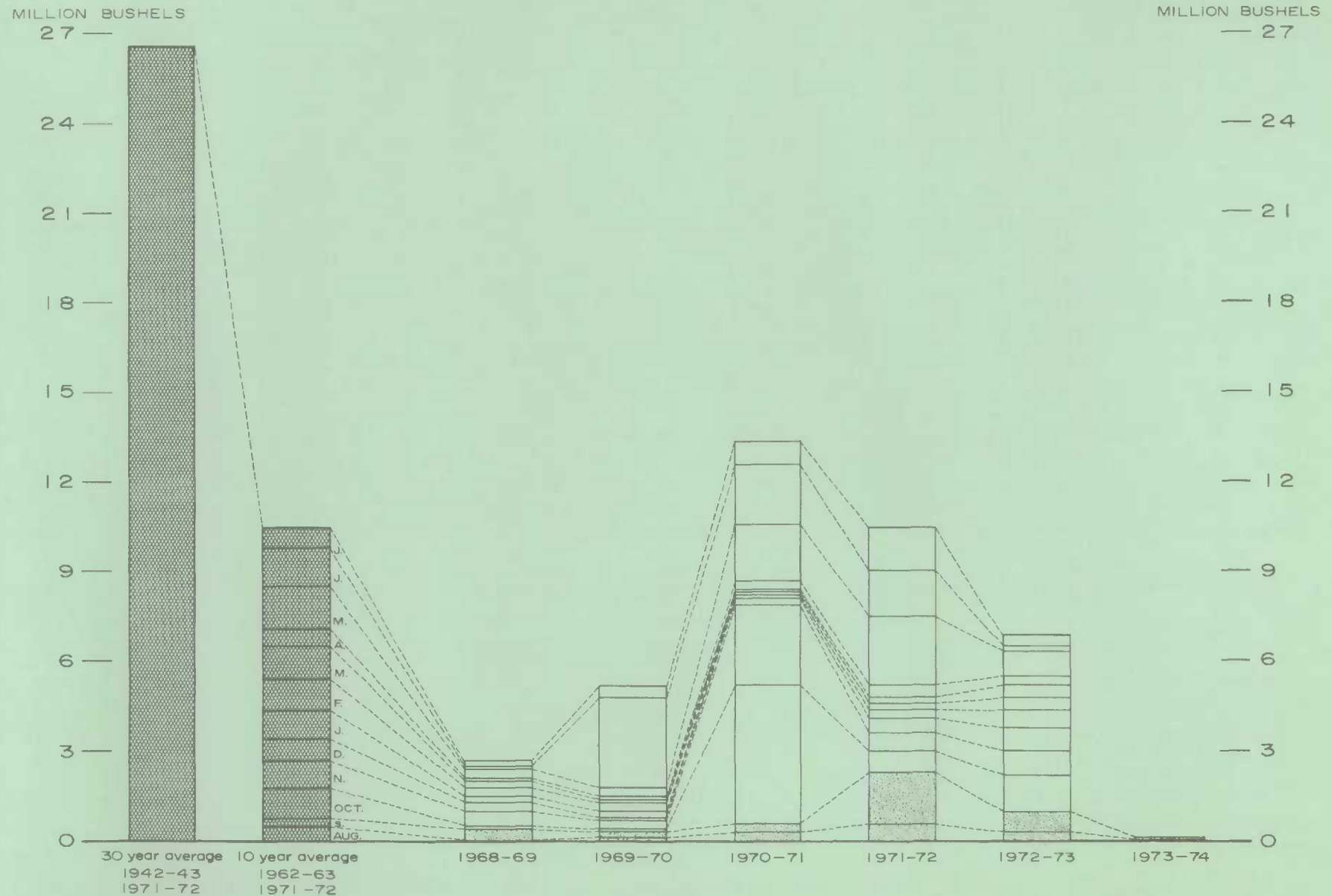
*In terms of grain equivalent.

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



EXPORTS OF CANADIAN OATS* AND OAT PRODUCTS** (SPECIFIED PERIODS)



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

**In terms of grain equivalent.

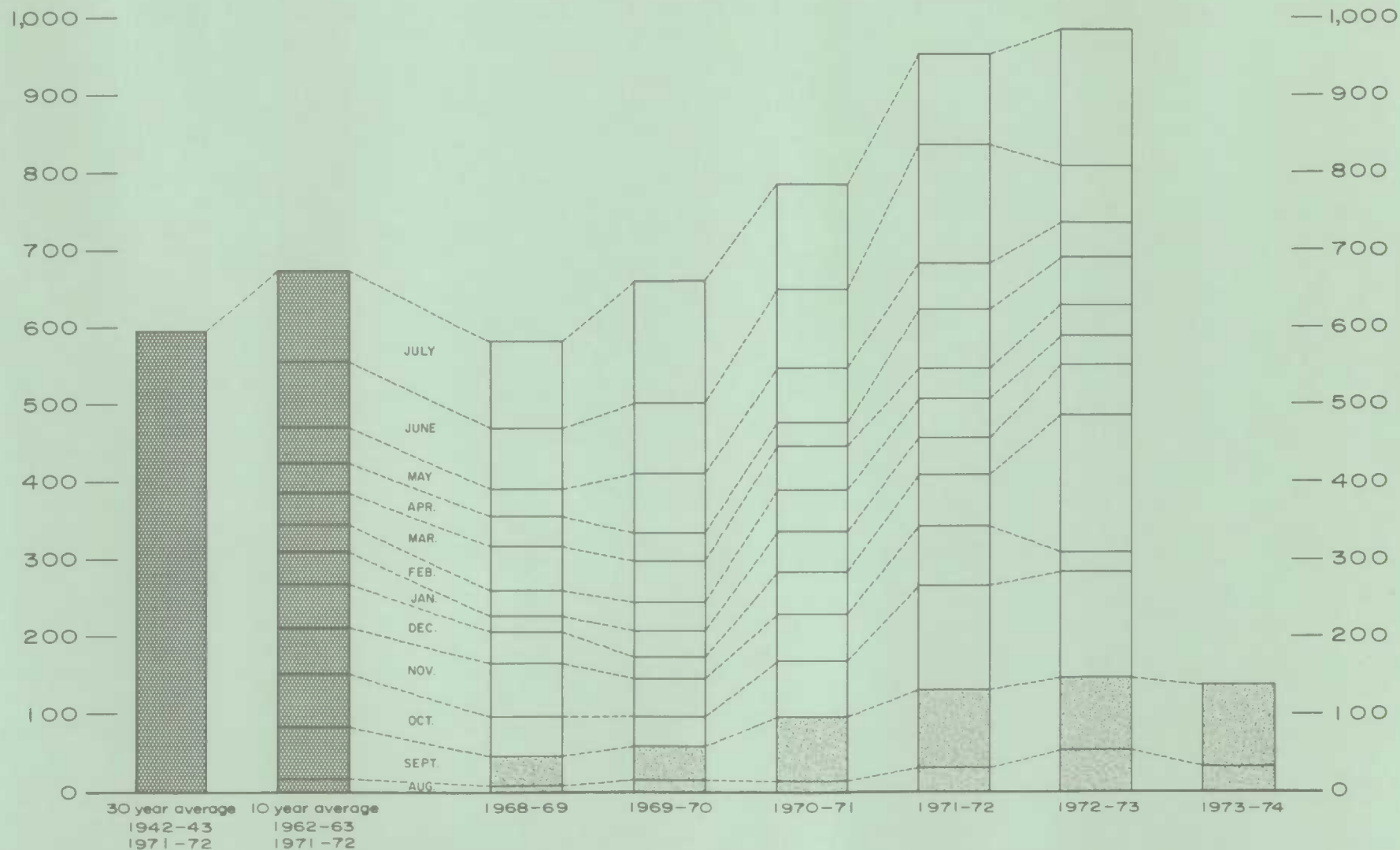
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FARMERS' MARKETINGS OF CANADA'S SIX MAJOR GRAINS*, PRAIRIE PROVINCES

MILLION BUSHELS
1,100 —

(SPECIFIED PERIODS)

MILLION BUSHELS
— 1,100



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

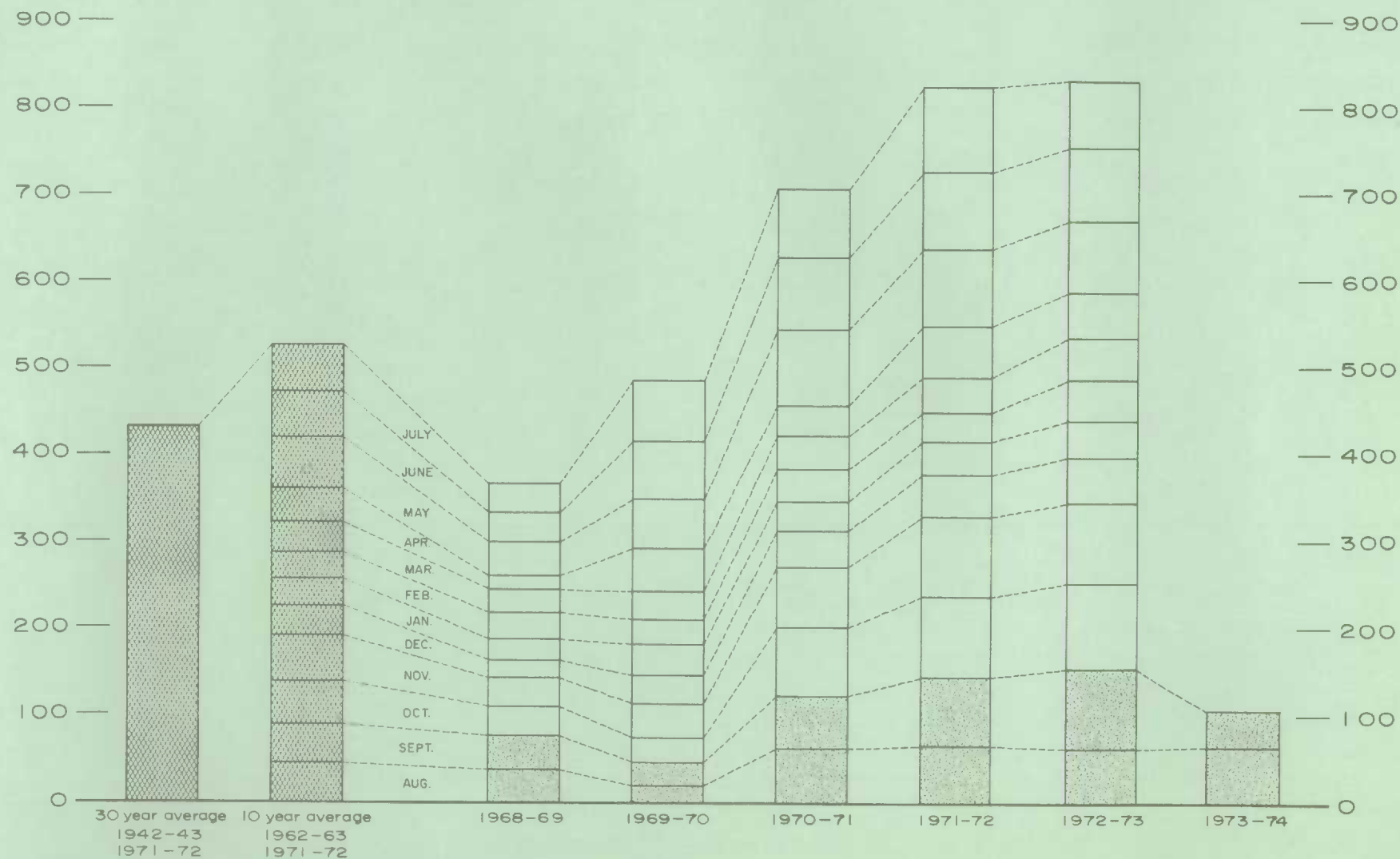
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EXPORTS OF CANADA'S SIX MAJOR GRAINS AND PRODUCTS*

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

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>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
Total	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	51,926	43	51,969	1,849	53,817
June	50,858	26	50,884	3,107	53,991
July	57,319	57	57,376	1,473	58,850
Total	552,829	421	553,250	23,916	577,166
<u>1973-74(4)</u>					
August	45,691	38	45,728	325 ^r	46,053
September	25,754	15	25,770	295	26,065
Total	71,445	53	71,498	620	72,118

- (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, 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, September 1973 and 1972

Destination	Wheat (except durum)	Durum wheat	All wheat	
			September 1973	September 1972 ^r
bushels				
<u>Western Europe</u>				
EEC:				
Belgium and Luxembourg ...	140,000	112,000	252,000	1,934,767
Britain	3,401,325	239,083	3,640,408	3,495,840
France	—	—	—	73,491
Germany, West	—	1,332,157	1,332,157	1,032,226
Ireland	—	—	—	1,036,000
Italy	—	—	—	2,280,744
Netherlands	—	—	—	674,310
Sub-total	3,541,325	1,683,240	5,224,565	10,527,378
Other Western Europe:				
Malta	—	—	—	326,811
Sweden	—	—	—	18,368
Switzerland	—	108,504	108,504	255,546
Sub-total	—	108,504	108,504	600,725
Total	3,541,325	1,791,744	5,333,069	11,128,103
<u>Eastern Europe</u>				
Albania	402,528	—	402,528	—
U.S.S.R. (Russia)	8,220,632	480,026	8,700,658	19,925,729
Total	8,623,160	480,026	9,103,186	19,925,729
<u>Africa</u>				
Algeria	—	1,210,073	1,210,073	1,043,280
French Africa n.e.s.	11,337	—	11,337	—
Ghana	572,991	—	572,991	110,236
Mauritania	167,302	—	167,302	—
Nigeria	—	—	—	474,208
Total	751,630	1,210,073	1,961,703	1,627,724

See footnotes at end of table.

Exports of Canadian Wheat(1) by Destination, September 1973 and 1972 — Concluded

Destination	Wheat (except durum)	Durum wheat	All wheat	
			September 1973	September 1972
bushels				
<u>Asia</u>				
Hong Kong	—	—	—	184,800
Indonesia	115,733	—	115,733	—
Japan	40,418	—	40,418	5,967,040
Lebanon	—	—	—	1,216,099
Malaysia	—	—	—	121,333
Pakistan	—	—	—	3,131,895
People's Republic of China	5,546,653	—	5,546,653	17,079,154
Philippines	7,431	—	7,431	—
Saudi Arabia	140,000	—	140,000	—
Singapore	—	—	—	186,667
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Total	5,850,235	—	5,850,235	27,886,988
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<u>Western Hemisphere</u>				
Barbados	34	—	34	—
Brazil	2,072,940	—	2,072,940	2,583,517
Cuba	1,428,448	—	1,428,448	—
Jamaica	1,596	—	1,596	669
Peru	—	—	—	1,372,000
St. Lucia	—	—	—	167
Venezuela	—	—	—	51,008
United States(2)	3,275	—	3,275	—
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Total	3,506,293	—	3,506,293	4,007,361
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Sub-total, all countries	22,272,643	3,481,843	25,754,486	64,575,905
Seed wheat(3)			15,295	20,285
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Total, all countries	22,272,643	3,481,843	25,769,781	64,596,190

- (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) Compiled from returns of Canadian elevator licencees and shippers and advice from American grain correspondents.
- (3) Compiled from Canadian Customs returns, 1972 adjusted for time lag, 1973 preliminary.

Cumulative Exports of Canadian Wheat(1) by Destination

Destination	August - September 1973			Total same period last year ^r
	Wheat (except durum)	Durum wheat	Total wheat	
bushels				
<u>Western Europe</u>				
EEC:				
Belgium and Luxembourg	280,000	112,000	392,000	2,390,433
Britain	8,466,006	239,083	8,705,089	7,414,978
France	—	—	—	225,602
Germany, West	50,541	2,119,850	2,170,391	2,653,331
Ireland	—	—	—	1,036,000
Italy	—	560,000	560,000	5,158,644
Netherlands	16,535	25,573 ^r	42,108 ^r	945,182
Sub-total	8,813,082	3,056,506 ^r	11,869,588 ^r	19,824,170
<u>Other Western Europe:</u>				
Austria	—	112,000	112,000	84,515
Malta	—	—	—	326,811
Sweden	—	—	—	36,740
Switzerland	—	510,664 ^r	510,644 ^r	817,192
Sub-total	—	622,664 ^r	622,664 ^r	1,265,258
Total	8,813,082	3,679,170	12,492,252	21,089,428
<u>Eastern Europe</u>				
Albania	1,249,472	—	1,249,472	—
Poland	39,588	308,000	347,588	—
U. S. S. R. (Russia)	20,940,465	2,316,350	23,256,815	34,672,700
Total	22,229,525	2,624,350	24,853,875	34,672,700
<u>Africa</u>				
Algeria	—	1,873,001	1,873,001	1,665,406
Dahomey	—	—	—	41,961
French Africa, n.e.s.	36,743	—	36,743	—
Ghana	572,991	—	572,991	690,413
Mauritania	197,064	—	197,064	—
Nigeria	—	—	—	474,208
Total	806,798	1,873,001	2,679,799	2,871,988
<u>Asia</u>				
Afghanistan	—	—	—	44,092
Bangladesh	2,828,840	—	2,828,840	2,607,547
Hong Kong	—	—	—	184,800
Indonesia	581,951	—	581,951	—

See footnotes at end of table.

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

Destination	August — September 1973			Total same period last year ^r
	Wheat (except durum)	Durum wheat	Total wheat	
bushels				
Asia — concluded				
Japan	5,748,667	—	5,748,667	6,310,469
Lebanon	—	1,161,440	1,161,440	1,874,504
Malaysia	—	—	—	121,333
Pakistan	1,628,146	—	1,628,146	3,903,505
People's Republic of China	9,085,069	—	9,085,069	21,233,582
Philippines	7,431	—	7,431	—
Saudi Arabia	140,000	—	140,000	—
Singapore	—	—	—	186,667
Syria	—	—	—	846,655
Total	20,020,104	1,161,440	21,181,544	37,313,154
Western Hemisphere				
Barbados	34	—	34	30
Brazil	6,789,850	—	6,789,850	5,580,522
Cuba	2,293,797	106,800	2,400,597	1,494,704
Haiti	196,000	—	196,000	313,600
Jamaica	1,596	—	1,596	669
Peru	844,912	—	844,912	1,541,298
St Lucia	—	—	—	167
Venezuela	—	—	—	51,008
United States(2)	4,792	—	4,792	—
Total	10,130,981	106,800	10,237,781	8,981,998
Sub-total, all countries ..	62,000,490	9,444,761	71,445,251	104,929,268
Seed wheat (3)			52,992	37,185
Total, all countries ..	62,000,490	9,444,761	71,498,243	104,966,453

- (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) Compiled from returns of Canadian elevator licensees and shippers and advice from American grain correspondents.
- (3) Compiled from Canadian Customs returns, 1972 adjusted for time lag, 1973 preliminary.

Customs Exports of Canadian Wheat Flour by Countries of Consignment

Destination	May 1973(1)	August	
		1973(2)	1972(1)
bushels			
<u>Western Europe</u>			
EEC:			
Britain	18,708	103,981	126,578
Germany, West	—	—	1,053
Sub-total	18,708	103,981	127,631
Other Western Europe:			
Gibraltar	—	—	3,461
Greece	—	—	1,104
Iceland	—	—	3,036
Portugal	2,300	1,840	4,485
Sub-total	2,300	1,840	12,086
Total	21,008	105,821	139,717
<u>Africa</u>			
Dahomey	—	—	2,760
Gambia, The	—	—	4,600
Guinea	—	—	110
Ivory Coast	2,300	—	690
Liberia	16,153	7,102	35,811
Malawi	203	2,397	—
Morocco	—	50,759	—
Mozambique	—	—	5,292
Portuguese Africa, n.e.s.	22,471	4,600	7,130
Sierra Leone	1,054	—	1,762
Somalia	—	—	82,384
Togo	—	—	19,918
U.A.R.	—	—	678,624
Zaire	5,460	—	—
Total	47,641	64,858	839,081
<u>Asia</u>			
Burma	—	—	336,773
Emirates, U.U.A.	—	1,465	1,539
Hong Kong	19,205	7,590	9,759
Japan	1,598	1,794	1,438
Jordan	—	773	—
Lebanon	219,785	2,859	1,362
Philippines	—	—	1,141
Qatar	111	110	—
Saudi Arabia	—	—	72,662

See footnotes at end of table.

Customs Exports of Canadian Wheat Flour by Countries of Consignment — Concluded

Destination	May	August	
	1973(1)	1973(2)	1972(1)
		bushels	
<u>Asia — Concluded</u>			
Sri-Lanka	168,896	—	—
Taiwan	—	—	62
Thailand	8,050	2,760	7,130
Total	417,645	17,351	431,866
<u>Oceania</u>			
British Oceania, n.e.s.	460	—	460
Fiji	690	460	460
United States Oceania	725	1,035	—
Total	1,875	1,495	920
<u>Western Hemisphere</u>			
Bahamas	11,143	9,975	14,189
Barbados	15,964	26,271	30,744
Bermuda	8,982	14,246	12,213
British Honduras	—	—	1,610
Cuba(3)	1,099,747	23,340	1,091,782
Guyana	—	2,624	872
Haiti	112,700	—	—
Jamaica	67,827	5,927	8,719
Leeward and Windward Islands	57,325	23,315	69,575
Netherlands Antilles	299	6,102	—
St. Pierre and Miquelon	1,518	1,610	2,742
Surinam	—	161	1,500
Trinidad and Tobago	20,401	11,914	28,308
Venezuela	—	—	253
United States	920	9,660	29,771
Total	1,396,826	135,145	1,292,278
Total, all countries	1,884,995	324,670	2,703,862

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

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

(3) Source — Canadian National Millers Association.
n.e.s. — Not elsewhere specified.

Note: Data for September wheat flour exports not available.

Canadian Wheat Board Weekly Average Cash Wheat Prices, Crop Year 1973-74
Basis in Store Thunder Bay and Vancouver

Class and grade	Week ending			
	September 28	October 5	October 12	October 19
cents and eighths per bushel				
<u>Initial payment to producers</u>				
1 C.W. Red Spring	225	225	225	225
2 C.W. Red Spring	218	218	218	218
3 C.W. Red Spring	209	209	209	209
No. 1 Canada Utility	196	196	196	196
No. 2 Canada Utility	196	196	196	196
No. 3 Canada Utility	196	196	196	196
1 Alberta Red Winter	211	211	211	211
2 Alberta Winter	206	206	206	206
3 Alberta Winter	200	200	200	200
1 C.W. Amber Durum	225	225	225	225
2 C.W. Amber Durum	221	221	221	221
3 C.W. Amber Durum	216	216	216	216
<u>Exports</u>				
<u>(Basis in store Thunder Bay)</u>				
1 C.W. Red Spring 14%	565/6	565/5	564/2	562
2 C.W. Red Spring 14%	561/6	561/5	560/2	558
3 C.W. Red Spring	551/6	551/5	550/2	548
No. 1 Canada Utility(1)	327	314/7	328/2	309/3
No. 2 Canada Utility(1)	325	312/7	326/2	307/3
No. 3 Canada Utility(1)	331	318/7	332/2	313/3
1 Alberta Red Winter	555/6	555/5	554/2	552
2 Alberta Winter	554/6	554/5	553/2	551
3 Alberta Winter	553/6	553/5	552/2	550
1 C.W. Amber Durum	899/6	899/5	898/2	896
2 C.W. Amber Durum	898/6	898/5	897/2	895
3 C.W. Amber Durum	892/6	892/5	891/2	889
<u>(Basis in store Vancouver)</u>				
1 C.W. Red Spring 14%	577/4	577/3	576	573/6
2 C.W. Red Spring	566/4	566/3	565	562/6
3 C.W. Red Spring	563/4	563/3	562	559/6
1 Alberta Red Winter	567/4	567/3	566	563/6
2 Alberta Winter	566/4	566/3	565	562/6
3 Alberta Winter	565/4	565/3	564	561/6

(1) Domestic sales.

CANADIAN FLOUR MILLING SITUATION

Production Wheat flour production by Canadian mills during September 1973 amounted to 3,397,000 hundredweight, representing a decrease of 6 per cent from the August 1973 output of 3,615,000 hundredweight, 2 per cent below the ten-year (1963-72) average production for the month of September of 3,458,000 hundredweight but 3 per cent more than the September 1972 total of 3,290,000 hundredweight. Mills reporting operations during September 1973 had a total rated capacity of 165,000 hundredweight per 24-hour day and on the basis of a 24-day working period 85.8 per cent of this rated capacity was effective.

Wheat milled for flour during September 1973 amounted to 7,685,000 bushels, 6 per cent less than the 8,162,000 bushels milled during the preceding month but 2 per cent over the 7,527,000 bushels milled during September 1972. Of the wheat milled for flour during September 1973 some 6,140,000 bushels were Western Canadian red spring wheat (other than Durum) while the remainder consisted of Ontario winter wheat(571,000 bushels); Durum (628,000 bushels); and all other (346,000 bushels).

Exports According to preliminary Customs returns, exports of Canadian wheat flour during August 1973 amounted to the equivalent of 325,000 bushels (some 141,000 hundredweight of flour) 78 per cent less than the July 1973 exports of 1,473,000 bushels and 88 per cent lower than the adjusted August 1972 exports of 2,704,000 bushels. Flour shipments during August 1973 went to twenty-seven countries with exports to Britain amounting to 104,000 bushels or 32 per cent of the August total. Other leading markets for Canadian wheat flour in terms of wheat during the month with shipments in thousands of bushels were as follows: Morocco, 51; Barbados, 26; Leeward and Windward Islands, 23; Cuba, 23; Bermuda, 14; Trinidad and Tobago, 12; Bahamas and United States, 10 each.

NOTE: Data re exports of wheat flour for September 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 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	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)	86,390,113	38,049,127	10,398,267
1973-74(2)			
August	8,162,253	3,614,900	141,161
September	7,685,039	3,397,175	128,307
Total	15,847,292	7,012,075	269,468
Same months 1972-73 ^r	15,111,402	6,624,791	2,049,328

(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

Supplies Down from 1972-73 Level Reflecting an increase in production which more than offset a decrease in carryover stocks total domestic supplies of wheat in the United States for the 1973-74 crop year are currently placed at 2,154.6 million bushels, 11 per cent less than the previous year's total of 2,407.8 million. The current crop, estimated at 1,726.8 million bushels, represents an increase of 12 per cent over last year's outturn of 1,544.8 million, while the 427.8 million bushels carried over to July 1, 1973 were 50 per cent below the 1972 stocks of 863.1 million. Domestic disappearance during 1973-74 is estimated at about 780.0 million bushels, one per cent less than the 791.6 million last year. After deducting anticipated domestic requirements for the current United States crop year, some 1,374.7 million remain available for export and for carryover, 15 per cent lower than the 1,616.3 million in 1972-73.

Exports Remain High Exports of wheat and wheat flour in terms of grain equivalent during the period July-September 1973 amounted to 384.6 million bushels, 80 per cent larger than the 214.1 million exported during the same months last year. The balance remaining on October 1, 1973 for export and for carryover was estimated at 990.1 million bushels compared with 1,402.2 million on approximately the same date a year ago.

United States Wheat Supplies

Item	1972-73 ^r	1973-74P
	million bushels	
Carryover at beginning of crop year (July 1)	863.1	427.8
Production	1,544.8	1,726.8 ^r
Total estimated domestic supplies	2,407.8	2,154.6
Imports of wheat and wheat flour in terms of wheat for domestic use, July-September	0.1	0.1
Total estimated supplies(1)	2,407.9	2,154.7
Less estimated domestic requirements for crop year(2)	791.6	780.0
Available for export and for carryover	1,616.3	1,374.7
<u>Deduct</u>		
Exports of wheat as grain, July-September	200.8	371.3
Exports of wheat flour and products(3) in terms of wheat, July-September	13.3	13.3
Total exports of wheat and wheat flour	214.1	384.6
Balance on October 1 for export and for carryover	1,402.2	990.1

(1) Excluding imports for October-June.

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

(3) Includes bulgar, rolled wheat and macaroni.

Winter Wheat Seeding
Delayed in Great
Plains

A report released on October 12, 1973 by the Crop Reporting Board of the United States Department of Agriculture stated that seeding of wheat for the 1974 crop advanced during September but unusually heavy rains in the Great Plains

delayed progress considerably. Soil moisture supplies in the Plains were plentiful on October 1 and rapid progress is expected when soils are dry enough to work. Elsewhere, seeding made good progress with generally favourable soil moisture except in some areas in the eastern third of the Nation.

Winter wheat producers in the Great Plains were faced with the unusual problem of having seeding operations delayed by too much rain during September. Kansas, which accounted for more than one-fourth of the Nation's winter wheat crop in the past 3 years, had more than three times normal precipitation during the month. As a result, only 35 per cent of the intended acreage had been seeded in that State by October 1, compared with 66 per cent a year earlier and the normal of 50 per cent. Some reseeding of acreage damaged by heavy rains late in the month is expected in Kansas and Nebraska. Oklahoma and Texas seeding was 40 and 55 per cent, respectively, complete compared with about two-thirds a year ago. About 70 per cent to 80 per cent of the Nebraska and Colorado wheat had been seeded, also behind last year's pace. Heavy rains in Colorado in late September crusted soils in newly seeded fields and necessitated reseeding of some acreage. South Dakota seeding was virtually complete by the end of September.

Above normal September precipitation over much of Montana and the Pacific Northwest relieved persistent drouth and gave a boost to winter wheat seedings. Even in portions of northern Idaho and the western third of Montana where precipitation was below normal, timely showers germinated early seedings.

In Missouri and the eastern Corn Belt seeding of winter wheat was near the normal degree of completion on October 1 but well ahead of a year earlier. As of October 1 about one-fourth of the Illinois crop was in the ground, 40 per cent in Ohio, and 80 per cent in Michigan. Seeding was delayed in Missouri by wet soils. However, in Indiana, Ohio, and Michigan soil moisture was short at the end of September. Rains arrived in early October and were very beneficial. In other wheat growing areas east of the Mississippi River seeding was active during late September with soil moisture generally short.

1973 Wheat Crop
Forecast at 1,727
Million Bushels

Production of all wheat is forecast at a record 1,727 million bushels, 12 per cent above the 1972 output and 7 per cent above the previous record in 1971. The increased output was harvested from 53.7 million acres, 14 per cent above the 1972 acreage. Yield, at 32.1 bushels per acre, is below both last year's 32.7 bushels and the record high 1971 yield of 33.9. The current forecast is 0.7 million bushels below a month earlier. The production of other spring wheat declined slightly during September while durum prospects were unchanged. Changes between the October 1 forecast and the final estimate have averaged 20 million bushels — ranging from 3 million to 46 million bushels. In 8 of those years, the October 1 forecast was above the final by an average of 22 million bushels and in 2 years it was below by an average of 12 million bushels.

Production of spring wheat other than durum was indicated at 350 million bushels as of October 1, up 23 per cent from 1972 but 8 per cent below the record large 1971 crop. Yield is expected to average 28.8 bushels per acre, compared with 29.0 bushels last year and the record high 30.7 bushels in 1971. Combining in North

Dakota made better than normal progress and was virtually complete by September 25. Combining was nearly complete by mid-September in Montana and by late August in South Dakota. High humidity and rain delayed the windup of harvest in northern counties of Minnesota but combining was essentially complete by September 1 in other areas of the State.

Production of durum wheat is expected to total 85.1 million bushels, up 17 per cent from the 1972 crop, but 7 per cent below the large 1971 crop. Expected yield per acre, at 28.6 bushels, is the same as the 1972 yield. On October 1 only a few late fields of durum remained to be harvested in northern counties of North Dakota where showers delayed completion. Montana growers had completed combining by mid-September. South Dakota harvest was virtually complete by the third week of August, well ahead of normal.

Flour production According to the Bureau of the Census, United States Department of Commerce, wheat flour production in the United States in August 1973 amounted to 21,893,000 hundredweight, averaging 951,000 hundredweight per working day. This compared with an average output per working day of 955,000 hundredweight last month and 926,000 hundredweight in August 1972. Wheat flour mills during August 1973 operated at 94.9 per cent of capacity, compared with 95.2 per cent and 91.6 per cent, respectively, for the previous month and the same month a year ago. Flour mills in August 1973 ground 48,889,000 bushels of wheat compared with 44,681,000 bushels the previous month and 47,459,000 bushels in August 1972.

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 recent report received from Mr. K. Schmitz, Commercial Officer, Agriculture, Canadian Embassy, Bonn, West Germany, and is reproduced with the permission of the Trade Commissioner Service, Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce.

The Federal Minister of Agriculture published on October 8, the final 1973 crop results. The total grain crop amounts to 21.14 million metric tons, 4.4 per cent more than last year and 0.9 per cent more than in 1971, which was a record crop year to date. Due to favourable weather conditions during the ripening and harvesting period the quality is considered good, protein contents of wheat are high and baking characteristics are excellent.

Acreage, Yield and Production, 1973 and 1972

	<u>Acreage</u>		<u>Yield</u>		<u>Production</u>	
	1972	1973	1972	1973	1972	1973
	thousand acres		bushels per acre		thousand bushels	
Wheat	4,016	3,959	60.5	66.2	242,800	262,163
Rye	2,082	1,825	55.2	55.6	114,836	101,412

AUSTRALIAN SITUATION

Supplies Lower
than Previous Year Reflecting the effect of a decrease in both carryover stocks, and production, total estimated supplies of wheat in Australia for the 1972-73 (December-November) crop year are placed at 284.5 million bushels, 34 per cent less than the 433.4 million in 1971-72. Carryover stocks at December 1, 1972, at 50.1 million bushels were sharply below the 127.2 million at the same date a year ago, while the 1972 production, at 234.4 million registered a decline of 23 per cent from the comparable figure in 1971 of 306.2 million. 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 in 1971-72.

Exports Less
than Year Ago Combined exports of wheat as grain and wheat flour in terms of grain equivalent during the period December 1 - September 29 of the current Australian crop year amounted to 140.9 million bushels, 43 per cent below the 245.6 million exported during the corresponding period of the 1971-72 crop year. The balance remaining on October 1, 1973 for export and for carryover, at 28.3 million bushels, was in sharp contrast to the 89.6 million at the same date a year ago.

Australian Wheat Supplies

Item	1971-72 ^r	1972-73 ^p
	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 - September	235.8	132.5
Exports of wheat flour in terms of wheat, December - September	9.8	8.4
Total exports of wheat and wheat flour	245.6	140.9
Balance on October 1 for export and for carryover ...	89.6	28.3

The following information relative to the Australian situation has been extracted from a report from Mr. C.V. Hiltz, Third Secretary (Agriculture) for Canada, Canberra, under date of October 9, 1973 and is reproduced with the permission of the Trade Commissioner Service, Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce.

Wheat production - 1973-74. — Excellent seasonal conditions over the past month have improved the Australian wheat picture considerably and have resulted in the Wheat Board revising its production estimates upwards to 483 million bushels. If this production estimate is reached it will be approximately 16 million bushels larger than Australia's second largest crop which was produced in 1966-67. Australia's largest crop was produced in 1968-69 and in that year production reached approximately 544 million bushels. Latest production estimates for the 1973-74 crop by State are as follows:

<u>State</u>	<u>Production</u>		
Queensland	21	million	bushels
New South Wales	185	"	"
Victoria	77	"	"
South Australia	80	"	"
Western Australia	120	"	"
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Total	483	"	"

With the expected carryover of approximately 13 million bushels this would give a total availability of 496 million bushels. Of this, producers can be expected to retain about 35 million bushels and the domestic market can be expected to use a further 80 million bushels leaving the Wheat Board with an export availability of approximately 381 million bushels. In addition provision will have to be made for a carryover stock. A modest carryover of 50 million bushels would make available about 331 million bushels for export. However, because of the demand the Board may decide not to build up carryover stocks in 1973-74 and may let stocks diminish to closer to this year's expected carryover.

Forecast Australian returns for 1973-74 wheat. — The Australian Wheat Board estimates that growers delivering wheat from the 1973-74 crop will get a return of at least A\$2.25 (\$3.20 Cdn.) per bushel if world wheat prices hold around their present level. This estimate applies to F.A.Q. wheat on an f.o.r. ports basis. Producers will therefore receive A\$2.25 (\$3.20 Cdn.) per bushel less their individual freight charges, which vary between about 10 and 24 cents (14 and 34 cents Cdn.) per bushel, at their nearest country silo delivery point.

The Board based their estimate on a delivery of 400 million bushels of which the domestic market would take 90 million bushels at not less than A\$1.90 (\$2.70 Cdn.) per bushel and an export price of around A\$3.50 (\$4.98 Cdn.) per bushel.

If the Board is correct, then the 1973-74 crop will be valued at A\$1,086 million (\$1,545 million Cdn.) which will be the first time that an Australian wheat crop has returned growers more than A\$1,000 million (\$1,422 million Cdn.). Australia's largest crop in 1968-69 only returned growers A\$667 million (\$949 million Cdn.) from an average net price of A\$1.23 (\$1.75 Cdn.) per bushel.

Single domestic price for all wheat in 1973-74. — The Australian Wheat Board has decided that all wheat sold on the domestic market for any end use in the 1973-74 season, will be sold at the one price. Since the 1969-70 season the Board has offered wheat for the manufacture of flour for industrial use and for stockfeed

at concessional prices where the purchaser undertook to buy all his requirements for the season from the Wheat Board. Currently this price is A\$1.55 (\$2.20 Cdn.) per bushel as compared to wheat for human consumption at A\$1.84 (\$2.62 Cdn.) per bushel.

This price concession was given to keep wheat competitive with other feed grains and to stop inter-state trading outside the control of the Board. However, with the present strong demand and high prices, the Board anticipates that producers will deliver all available wheat to it and there will be a minimal amount of black-market trading.

Presently it is predicted that the domestic price for wheat in 1973-74 will be set at about A\$1.93 (\$2.75 Cdn.) per bushel which if correct will be the price for stockfeed wheat and for wheat used in the manufacture of flour for industrial use.

Sixth wheat stabilization plan. — The Australian Wheat Growers' Federation presented its submission for the sixth wheat stabilization plan to the Government early in September. The sixth plan is due to commence in December 1974.

Briefly the submission calls for another five-year scheme beginning in 1974-75. It does not want the present composition of the Wheat Board altered and it wants an annually adjusted guaranteed price which will reflect movements in world market forces. However, for the first year of the plan (1974-75) the submission suggests A\$2.00 (\$2.84 Cdn.) per bushel. It also wants the guarantee extended to cover 250 million bushels of exports from the present 200 million bushels. In addition it wants a minimum first advance of A\$1.20 (\$1.71 Cdn.) per bushel.

On the question of contributions to the stabilization pool it wants grower contributions limited to A\$80 million (\$114 million Cdn.) in any one year as is the case at present and Government contributions of up to A\$30 million (\$43 million Cdn.) per year with unexpended pool balances in any one year carried forward into the next year. It also wants a home consumption price based upon the expected 1973-74 price of A\$1.93 (\$2.75 Cdn.) per bushel with this price updated annually by indexing methods.

The Federation also considers it essential that a minimum level of carryover stocks be at least 172 million bushels. This would be made up of 122 million bushels of F.A.Q., 30 million bushels of prime hard, 17 million bushels of hard and 3 million bushels of soft wheat.

Exports of Australian Wheat and Wheat Flour in Terms of Wheat
December 1 — September 29, 1972-73 and Corresponding Period 1971-72

Destination	Wheat		Wheat flour	
	1971-72	1972-73	1971-72	1972-73
thousand bushels				
<u>Western Europe</u>				
EEC:				
Britain	20,046	7,093	216	20
Ireland	910	89	—	—
Sub-total	20,956	7,182	216	20

Exports of Australian Wheat and Wheat Flour in Terms of Wheat
December 1 — September 29, 1972-73 and Corresponding Period 1971-72 — Continued

Destination	Wheat		Wheat flour	
	1971-72	1972-73	1971-72	1972-73
thousand bushels				
<u>Other Western Europe:</u>				
Malta	565	—	—	—
Norway	4,033	—	—	—
Sub-total	4,598	—	—	—
Total	25,554	7,182	216	20
<u>Eastern Europe</u>				
Germany, East	16,270	2,954	—	—
U.S.S.R. (Russia)	15,222	28,960	—	—
Total	31,492	31,914	—	—
<u>Africa</u>				
Angola	573	—	—	—
Egypt A.R.E.	50,202	22,551	—	—
Kenya	2,382	—	—	—
Malawi	—	—	513	43
Mauritius - Comm.	—	—	624	550
- F. Aid	—	—	182	189
Mozambique	2,130	—	—	—
Rhodesia	1,145	—	—	—
Sudan	1,430	—	—	—
Tanzania	756	—	—	—
Zambia	2,418	1,846	—	—
Others	6	4	367	114
Total	61,042	24,401	1,686	896
<u>Asia</u>				
Aden	460	—	—	—
Aden I/T Atta	—	—	21	—
Afghanistan - Comm.	411	—	—	—
- F. Aid	—	146	—	—
Arabian Gulf	518	268	319	301
Arabian Gulf Atta	—	—	1,310	1,323
Bangladesh - Comm.	237	—	—	—
- F. Aid	511	462	—	—
Burma - F. Aid	—	—	252	—
China	—	19,866	—	—
Hong Kong	1,733	1,306	13	1
India - F. Aid	1,466	—	—	—
Indonesia	—	1,589	3	1
- F. Aid	2,402	—	—	—

See footnotes at end of table.

Exports of Australian Wheat and Wheat Flour in Terms of Wheat
December 1 — September 29, 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>				
Iran	2,783	—	—	—
Iraq	2,695	—	—	—
Japan	43,486	8,574	—	—
Korea, North	1,852	—	—	—
Korea, South	2,897	—	—	92
Kuwait	4,410	3,109	—	—
Lebanon	1,260	674	—	—
Malaysia	9,499	10,108	—	—
Pakistan - F. Aid	878	679	—	—
Philippines - Comm.	—	—	271	193
- F. Aid	—	129	372	83
Qatar	—	242	—	—
Sabah	—	—	1	1
Sarawak	—	—	—	3
Saudi Arabia	3,114	818	297	521
Singapore	5,867	5,646	(1)	2
Sri Lanka	2,723	3,048	—	—
- Comm.	—	—	83	5
- F. Aid	—	—	730	851
Taiwan	3,791	4,818	—	—
Thailand	1,609	1,649	149	65
Yemen	2,264	90	—	—
Others	—	3	142	163
Total	96,866	63,224	3,963	3,605
<u>Oceania</u>				
Fiji	—	194	—	—
- F. Aid	—	—	—	57
New Zealand	550	—	—	—
Total	550	194	—	57
<u>Western Hemisphere</u>				
Bolivia	566	—	—	—
Chile	14,997	5,054	—	—
Peru	4,679	470	—	—
West Indies Area	—	—	62	49
Total	20,242	5,524	62	49
<u>Pacific Area and Sundries</u>				
Pacific Islands	53	58	3,772	3,696
Ships' Stores and Sundries	—	—	99	78
Total	53	58	3,871	3,774
Total, all countries	235,800	132,500	9,800	8,400

(1) Less than 500 bushels.

FRENCH SITUATION

Supplies Decrease
from Previous Year

Total estimated commercial domestic supplies of soft wheat in France for the crop year (August-July) 1973-74 consisting of the revised August 1 carryover of 52.2 million bushels and anticipated marketings of 551.2 million amount to some 603.3 million, 5 per cent less than the 1972-73 total of 634.1 million. Imports of wheat during August 1973 including durum wheat and both hard and soft wheat have amounted to 2.3 million bushels, in sharp contrast to the 1.3 million imported during August 1972. After deducting 262.7 million bushels for estimated domestic use, including normal feed wheat requirements, the surplus available for export and for carryover is about 342.9 million bushels 3 per cent below the 354.2 million the previous year.

Exports Above
a Year Ago

Combined exports of wheat and wheat flour in terms of grain equivalent during August 1973 amounted to 28.2 million bushels, 71 per cent larger than the comparable August 1972 total of 16.5 million. The balance of commercial supplies remaining on September 1, 1973 for export and for carryover amounted to 314.8 million, 7 per cent lower than the September 1, 1972 total of 337.7 million bushels.

French Soft Wheat Supplies

Item	1972-73r	1973-74p
	million bushels	
Commercial carryover, August 1	90.8	52.2 ^r
Anticipated deliveries to Grain Board	543.3	551.2
Total estimated commercial domestic supplies	634.1	603.3
Imports (1), August	1.3	2.3
Total commercial supplies	635.4	605.6
Less domestic requirements for crop year	281.3	262.7
Available for export and for carryover	354.2	342.9
<u>Deduct</u>		
Exports of wheat (2) , August	13.8	25.6
Exports of wheat flour, August	2.7	2.6
Total exports of wheat and wheat flour	16.5	28.2
Balance on September 1 for export and for carryover ..	337.7	314.8

(1) Includes durum, hard and soft wheat.

(2) Includes denatured, durum and soft wheat.

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New crop year estimates. — The new forecasts regarding the 1973-74 trade crop year were released after the ONIC Permanent Committee meeting held on September 26. Total marketings would be up from 14.5 metric tons to 15.0 million metric tons (532.8 to 551.1 million bushels) instead of 14.0 to 14.4 tons (514.4 to 529.1 million bushels) previously estimated. Wheat destined to animal feeding would be down 10 per cent, due to the decreased denaturing premium of 2.1 million tons (77.2 million bushels) instead of 2.3 million tons (84.5 million bushels) last crop year.

New harvest figures. — Hereunder are listed the acreage, yield and production estimates of the 1973 wheat harvest, on September 1, released by the French Department of Agriculture:

<u>Crops</u>	<u>Cultivated area</u>		<u>Yield</u>		<u>Production</u>	
	<u>1972</u> thousand acres	<u>1973</u> thousand acres	<u>1972</u> bushels per acre	<u>1973</u> bushels per acre	<u>1972</u> thousand bushels	<u>1973</u> thousand bushels
Winter:						
Soft wheat ...	90,923	89,290	67	68	611,184	607,940
Durum wheat ..	1,559	1,524	36	38	5,618	5,816
Spring:						
Soft wheat ...	3,873	4,471	58	58	22,645	25,845
Durum wheat ..	2,386	2,146	47	49	11,317	10,450
Total:						
Soft wheat ...	94,796	93,761	67	68	633,829	633,785
Durum wheat ..	3,945	3,670	43	44	16,935	16,266

Wheat to be exported would amount to 8 million metric tons (293,946,000 bushels) of which more than 5 million tons (183,716,000 bushels) would be exported to the Enlarged EEC. Wheat flour export would total 1,200,000 metric tons. More than 1 million tons would have to be shipped to Third Countries, of which around 350,000 tons would be to Black Africa.

French Wheat Exports, August

<u>Destination</u>	<u>Milling soft wheat</u>		<u>Durum</u>		<u>Denatured durum and soft wheat</u>	
	<u>1972</u>	<u>1973</u>	<u>1972</u>	<u>1973</u>	<u>1972</u>	<u>1973</u>
thousand bushels						
EEC:						
Britain	3,159	1,640	—	—	—	—
Ireland	41	303	—	—	—	—
Italy	775	6,163	—	25	1	—
Germany, West	1,529	1,744	5	38	367	574
Netherlands	1,141	2,605	—	—	370	650
UEBL	1,214	2,274	23	189	1,386	1,711
Total EEC	7,859	14,729	28	252	2,124	2,935

See footnotes at end of table.

French Wheat Exports, August — Concluded

Destination	Milling soft wheat		Durum		Denatured durum and soft wheat	
	1972	1973	1972	1973	1972	1973
thousand bushels						
<u>Third Countries</u>						
Angola	—	442	—	—	—	—
Egypt	2,586	1,182	—	—	—	—
Morocco	—	1,442	—	—	—	—
Poland	—	607	—	—	—	—
Senegal	51	580	—	—	—	—
Switzerland	488	436	—	—	—	—
Tunisia	—	681	—	—	—	—
Others	635	2,360	(1)	—	1	—
Total, Third Countries.	3,760	7,730	(1)	—	1	—
Total, all countries .	11,619	22,459	28	252	2,125	2,935

(1) Less than 500 bushels.

ONIC considered the 1,420,000 metric tons (52,175,000 bushels) carryover of July 31 as very close to the 1,400,000 (51,441,000 bushels) aim decided on February 28, 1973. The carryover on July 31, 1974 would likely amount to 1,600,000 tons (58,789,000 bushels). For durum wheat, ONIC suggested that 8,000 tons (294,000 bushels) intervention wheat out of the 1972 harvest be marketed again. Denaturing premium is now fixed as follows in francs per metric ton, in brackets, Canadian dollars per bushel: 65.48 francs (\$4.13) for August, September and October; 66.71 francs (\$4.21) for November; 67.93 francs (\$4.23) for December; 69.15 francs (\$4.37) for January; 70.37 francs (\$4.44) for February; 71.59 francs (\$4.52) for March; 72.82 francs (\$4.60) for April; and 74.04 francs (\$4.68) for May, June and July.

French Wheat Imports

Destination	Durum wheat		Hard and soft wheat	
	1972-73	1973-74	1972-73	1973-74
thousand bushels				
Britain	—	—	—	1
Canada	230	130	127	61
United States	844	1,251	88	866
U.S.S.R.	—	—	53	—
Total	1,074	1,381	268	928

ARGENTINE SITUATION

Supplies Higher than a Year Ago Reflecting an increase in production which more than offset a decline in carryover stocks, total estimated domestic supplies of wheat in Argentina for the 1972-73 (December-November) crop year are placed at some 308.1 million bushels, 32 per cent more than the previous year's total of 233.5 million. The 1972 production estimated at 290.3 million bushels is 39 per cent above the 208.7 million produced in 1971, while the December 1, 1972 carryover stocks at 17.9 million are 28 per cent less 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 158.1 million are available for export and for carryover in 1972-73, in sharp contrast to 81.6 million a year ago.

Exports Sharply Above Previous Year Preliminary exports of wheat and wheat flour in terms of wheat equivalent during December 1972 - September 1973 amounted to 119.9 million bushels, which more than doubled the 55.1 million exported during the same ten months in 1971-72. The balance remaining on October 1, 1973 for export and for carryover was estimated at 38.2 million bushels, 44 per cent above the October 1, 1972 total of 26.5 million.

Argentine Wheat Supplies

Item	1971-72 ^r	1972-73 ^p
	million bushels	
Carryover at beginning of crop year (December 1)(1)	24.8	17.9
Production	208.7	290.3
Total estimated domestic supplies	233.5	308.1
Less estimated requirements for crop year	151.9	150.0
Available for export and for carryover	81.6	158.1
<u>Deduct</u>		
Exports of wheat as grain, December-September ..	49.9	113.7
Exports of wheat flour in terms of wheat, December-September	5.2	6.2
Total exports of wheat and wheat flour	55.1	119.9
Balance on October 1 for export and for carryover.	26.5	38.2

(1) Includes allowances for farm stocks.

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On September 12, the Government announced Decree 1090 which stated that the supply of wheat from the 1972-73 harvest was insufficient to cover requirements until the following crop. It also stated that all wheat was subject to expropriation and appointed the National Grain Board as the decree's executive authority.

The second estimate for wheat production as issued by the then Ministry of Agriculture on January 30, raised the figure for bread wheat to 7,440,000 tons (273.4 million bushels), or 420,000 tons (15.4 million bushels) more than the first estimate published in December. The estimate seemed reasonable.

However, with the third estimate released on July 10 of 7,304,000 tons (268.4 million bushels) of bread wheat, of which some 1.5 million tons (55.1 million bushels) subsequently proved to be untraceable, unfortunately after new export commitments had been entered into. Meanwhile, at that time - mid-July - the results of the statements of stocks ordered by the Grain Board were still pending.

Argentina has now purchased abroad some 453,000 tons (16,645,000 bushels) of bread wheat. Grain Board officials estimate that this quantity should be sufficient to tide them over until the next harvest and so do not foresee further purchases this year, although the forecast of a very poor crop might lead to further imports during 1974.

On September 27 the Department of Agriculture published the second estimate of area seeded to wheat at 4.2 million hectares (10.4 million acres). This is only a slight increase over the first estimate published on August 3 at 4.1 million (10.1 million acres). Additional area is attributable mainly to last moment sowings of Durums. This figure is 25.4 per cent below last year's area of 5,627,000 hectares (13,899,000 acres).

The following table shows area seeded by province for 1973-74 compared with 1972-73:

	<u>1972-73</u>	<u>1973-74</u>
	thousand acres	
Buenos Aires	7,781	6,163
Santa Fe	2,161	1,475
Cordoba	1,370	1,178
La Pampa	1,704	1,087
Entre Rios	558	190
Others	325	281
Total	<u>13,899</u>	<u>10,374</u>

The Department of Agriculture announced that the minimum price for wheat will be adjusted on the commencement of harvesting operations on the 1973-74 crop. Reportedly it will be established at around 68.00 pesos per 100 kilos (Cdn. \$3.72 per bushel).

A Cuban wheat buying mission visited Argentina during late September from where they intended to travel directly to Canada. The mission was not successful with regard to securing any wheat, however, and departed after purchasing corn and beans to be shipped under a 200 million dollar Argentine loan recently granted to Cuba. During the first eight months of 1973, Argentina exported 2,475,272 metric

tons (90,950,000 bushels) of bread wheat and 374,141 tons (13,747,000 bushels) of Durums. The main customers were Brazil with 945,361 tons (34,736,000 bushels) of bread wheat and Italy with 307,279 tons (11,290,000 bushels) of Durums. On October 8, hard wheat was quoted at 57.00 pesos per 100 kilos (\$3.12 per bushel) f.o.r. Buenos Aires, semi-hard at 55.50 pesos (\$3.03 per bushel) and Durums at 95.00 pesos (\$5.19 per bushel). There were no quotations on the Futures Exchange.

Argentine Wheat Exports December — August 1971-72 and 1972-73

Destination	August		December — August	
	1972	1973	1971-72	1972-73
thousand bushels				
<u>Western Europe</u>				
EEC:				
Italy	1,557	1,487	10,687	13,669
Netherlands	—	118	218	201
Total	1,557	1,605	10,905	13,870
<u>Africa</u>				
Algeria	—	560	886	560
Libya	—	—	220	—
Republic of Congo	—	—	—	121
Republic of Yemen	—	—	—	1,359
South Africa	—	—	—	338
Total	—	560	1,106	2,378
<u>Asia</u>				
Bangladesh	—	—	—	20,347
India	—	—	—	6,908
Japan	—	—	—	4,165
Jordan	—	—	154	—
Korea	—	—	—	6,096
Pakistan	—	—	—	1,446
Total	—	—	154	38,962
<u>Western Hemisphere</u>				
Brazil	3,406	—	26,311	37,646
Chile	572	1,093	4,543	15,503
Paraguay	—	52	250	52
Uruguay	—	485	—	3,491
Total	3,978	1,630	31,104	56,692
Total, all countries	5,535	3,794	43,270	111,901

CALENDAR OF WHEAT EVENTS

- October 5 Based on conditions at September 15 Canada's 1973 wheat crop was estimated at 622.0 million bushels, 17 per cent above last year's 533.3 million and one per cent above the ten-year (1962-71) average of 614.2 million. In the Prairie Provinces the 1973 wheat crop is estimated at 602.0 million bushels, some 89.0 million bushels or 17 per cent above the 1972 crop.
- 8 According to a report received from Mr. R.F. Place, Commercial Officer (Agriculture) for Canada, Buenos Aires, the second estimate for wheat production in Argentina as issued by the then Ministry of Agriculture on January 30, raised the figure for bread wheat to 7,440,000 tons (273.4 million bushels) or 420,000 tons (15.4 million bushels) more than the first estimate published in December.
- 9 A report received from Mr. C.V. Hiltz, Third Secretary (Agriculture) for Canada, Canberra, stated that excellent seasonal conditions in the past month have improved the Australian wheat picture considerably and have resulted in the Wheat Board revising its production estimates upward to 483 million bushels.
- 12 According to the Crop Reporting Board of the United States Department of Agriculture production of all wheat in the United States is forecast at a record high of 1,727 million bushels, up 12 per cent (182 million bushels) from 1972 but down slightly (0.7 million bushels) from the September 1 forecast as other spring wheat declined slightly.

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