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CANADIAN MILLING STATISTICS

MARCH 1944

Ottawa, May 4, 1944.- Production of wheat flour in Canadian mills for the month of March reached a high mark for the current crop year, amounting to 2,267,307 barrels compared with 2,193,029 barrels for the same month a year ago. Total production for the eight months under review reached 16,766,163 barrels, averaging more than 2,000,000 barrels monthly, with about half the quantity passing into the export market.

Mills reporting March operations had a total milling capacity of 88,382 barrels per 24-hour day, and over a 27-day working period in the month 95.0 per cent of this was effective. Mills reporting in February operated 94.9 per cent of their combined capacity.

The quantity of wheat ground in March was 9,921,561 bushels compared with 9,718,770 bushels in the same month last year. Total wheat ground from the commencement of the current crop year to the end of March was 73,930,544 bushels compared with 69,541,242 bushels in the same period of 1942-43. Oats and barley were ground in greater proportion than for March last year, but corn, buckwheat and mixed grain eased in volume.

Stocks of wheat in flour mills at the end of March 1944 amounted to 5,818,595 bushels compared with 6,156,314 bushels at the close of February.

MILL GRINDINGS

The following table shows the amount of wheat, oats, corn, barley, buckwheat and mixed grain milled for the month of March 1944, by merchant and custom mills in Canada according to divisions, with comparative totals for the same month last year and stocks on hand at March 31, 1944 (in bushels):-

Grain	Quantities Ground				Stocks on Hand, March 31, 1944		
	Merchant Mills	Custom Mills	Total Mar. 1944	Total Mar. 1943	Merchant Mills	Custom Mills	Total Mar. 31, 1944
EASTERN DIVISION							
Wheat -							
Manitoba Spring	4,658,386	-	4,658,386	4,119,982	2,373,903	-	2,373,903
Ontario Winter	90,007	-	90,007	468,286	330,365	-	330,365
Durum	46,100	-	46,100	68,416	64,152	-	64,152
Garnet	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
United States and All Other	53,822	136,742	190,564	166,660	70,225	170,232	240,457
Total Wheat	4,848,315	136,742	4,985,057	4,823,344	2,838,645	170,232	3,008,877
Oats	652,350	445,885	1,098,235	674,640	348,461	156,783	505,244
Corn	78,206	118,096	196,302	226,962	344,024	67,429	411,453
Barley	202,093	362,697	564,790	315,793	215,148	133,365	368,513
Buckwheat	-	2,027	2,027	2,224	12,990	6,653	19,643
Mixed Grain	151,759	2,024,166	2,175,925	2,893,489	34,406	18,050	52,456
WESTERN DIVISION							
Wheat -							
Manitoba Spring	4,716,379	-	4,716,379	4,786,719	2,571,403	-	2,571,403
Ontario Winter	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Durum	14,549	-	14,549	15,877	9,556	-	9,556
Garnet	-	-	-	422	-	-	-
United States and All Other	9,203	196,573	205,776	94,408	30,337	198,422	228,759
Total Wheat	4,739,931	196,573	4,936,504	4,895,426	2,611,296	198,422	2,809,718
Oats	682,481	119,387	801,868	659,612	510,826	22,568	533,394
Corn	5,253	495	5,748	8,968	10,888	105	10,993
Barley	163,064	81,116	244,180	154,731	129,264	17,295	146,559
Buckwheat	-	-	-	-	1,898	-	1,898
Mixed Grain	72,994	117,381	190,375	199,778	330	14	344
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Wheat -							
Manitoba Spring	9,374,765	-	9,374,765	8,906,701	4,945,306	-	4,945,306
Ontario Winter	90,007	-	90,007	468,286	330,365	-	330,365
Durum	60,449	-	60,449	82,993	73,708	-	73,708
Garnet	-	-	-	422	-	-	-
United States and All Other	63,025	333,315	396,340	261,068	100,562	368,654	469,216
Total Wheat	9,588,246	333,315	9,921,561	9,718,770	5,449,941	368,654	5,818,595
Oats	1,334,831	565,272	1,900,103	1,334,252	659,287	179,351	1,038,638
Corn	83,459	118,591	202,050	235,930	354,912	67,534	422,446
Barley	365,157	443,813	808,970	470,524	344,412	170,640	515,052
Buckwheat	-	2,027	2,027	2,224	14,888	6,653	21,541
Mixed Grain	224,753	2,141,547	2,366,300	3,093,267	34,736	18,064	52,800

Price: 50 cents a year.

MILLING

The following table shows the production from wheat and coarse grains ground in merchant and custom mills in Canada for the month of March 1944, according to divisions, with comparative totals for the same month last year and stocks on hand at March 31, 1944:-

Products	Unit of Measure	Production from Grindings				Stocks on Hand March 31, 1944
		Eastern Division	Western Division	Total March 1944	Total March 1943	
	Barrels (196 lb.)			Wheat Flour		
Manitoba Sp. P. No. 1 ..	"	437,369	171,536	608,905	594,330	221,398
Manitoba Sp. P. No. 2 ..	"	271,160	414,328	685,488	651,887	143,830
Ontario Winter Straight.	"	18,851	-	18,851	104,271	9,233
All Other	"	381,724	518,896	900,620	792,891	643,080
Low Grade Flour	"	10,930	27,146	38,076	36,544	13,439
Feed Flour	"	12,751	2,616	15,367	13,106	3,920
TOTAL FLOUR	"	1,132,785	1,134,522	2,267,307	2,193,029	1,034,900
				Sundry Cereals		
Oatmeal	Pounds	7,207,724	1,524,092	8,731,816	538,178	916,909
Rolled Oats	"	2,496,484	4,090,114	6,576,598	8,247,642	8,632,426
Corn Flour and Meal ...	"	1,973,818	-	1,973,818	1,844,980	606,756
Barley, Pot and Pearl .	"	122,108	162,680	284,788	828,436	639,254
Buckwheat Flour	"	34,140	-	34,140	36,472	32,000
				Ground Feed		
Ground Oats	Pounds	21,812,402	16,747,703	38,560,105	28,674,679	1,921,483
Cracked Corn	"	4,699,373	321,851	5,021,224	6,666,548	463,875
Ground Barley	"	26,837,660	11,452,913	38,290,573	20,887,163	1,380,260
Mixed Grain	"	100,671,249	9,548,688	110,219,937	141,756,660	2,710,626
				Millfeeds		
	Tons (2000 lb.)					
Bran	"	15,821	14,482	30,313	30,407	3,619
Shorts	"	14,374	14,887	29,261	28,039	3,126
Middlings	"	6,831	6,752	13,583	15,242	2,851
TOTAL	"	37,026	36,131	73,157	73,688	9,596
All Other Offal*	"	4,795	2,023	6,818	6,269	1,415
TOTAL OFFAL	"	41,821	36,154	79,975	79,957	11,011

* Including Coarse Grain Offal.

The amount of Ontario Winter wheat used by the mills in March produced 18,851 barrels of flour compared with 104,271 barrels produced in the same month last year, bringing the total for the current crop year to 258,890 barrels.

Exports of wheat flour for March amounted to 1,226,281 barrels, the highest monthly export this crop year.

Millfeed production for March was 73,157 tons compared with 73,688 tons for the same month in 1943, comprised of bran 30,313 (30,407) tons, shorts 29,261 (28,039) tons and middlings 13,583 (15,242) tons.

"Ground Feeds" for March compared as follows with the same month last year: Ground Oats, 38,560,105 (28,674,679) pounds; Cracked Corn, 5,021,224 (6,666,548) pounds; Ground Barley, 38,290,573 (20,887,163) pounds, and Mixed Grain, 110,219,937 (141,756,660) pounds.

SUMMARY OF MILL GRINDINGS

The following table summarizes the mill grind of wheat, oats, corn, barley, buckwheat, rye and mixed grain for eight months of the crop year 1943-44, with comparative figures for 1942-43:

Months	Wheat	Oats	Corn	Barley	Buckwheat	Rye	Mixed Grain
- bushels -							
August, 1943	8,341,270	1,367,300	186,611	609,832	1,728	10,040	2,067,436
September	8,946,009	1,641,431	186,097	711,366	4,555	12,533	2,245,582
October	9,349,024	1,874,794	192,610	913,782	15,647	14,644	2,375,695
November	9,606,905	1,891,825	193,422	1,061,250	14,668	20,945	2,918,775
December	9,583,573	1,594,757	171,938	947,560	10,101	20,061	2,894,500
January, 1944	8,987,626	1,338,336	156,942	901,283	3,738	17,505	2,654,721
February	9,194,576	1,455,785	181,069	757,666	9,987	21,014	2,585,909
March	9,921,561	1,900,103	202,050	808,970	2,027	11,546	2,366,300
T O T A L S	73,930,544	13,064,331	1,470,739	6,711,709	62,451	128,289	20,108,938
TOTALS LAST YEAR	65,541,242	10,241,675	1,741,202	3,643,775	75,418	91,748	22,759,435

SUMMARY OF MILL PRODUCTION

The following table summarizes the production of wheat flour, oatmeal, rolled oats, corn flour and meal and millfeeds for eight months of the crop year 1943-44, including percentage of operation and wheat flour exports with comparative figures for 1942-43:

Months	Wheat Flour		Oatmeal	Rolled Oats	Corn Flour and Meal	Millfeeds	Wheat Flour Exported
	Percentage of Operation	Quantity Barrels (196 lb.)	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Tons	Barrels (196 lb.)
August, 1943	82.4	1,888,030	581,342	8,102,891	1,784,930	63,862	1,121,568
September	91.5	2,014,255	435,216	10,276,943	2,266,218	67,043	873,917
October	93.3	2,118,409	486,512	12,130,259	2,093,440	69,812	849,886
November	96.7	2,175,831	380,084	12,440,180	2,065,644	71,057	857,691
December	94.8	2,173,433	632,099	10,098,865	1,595,460	70,272	1,106,479
January, 1944	93.0	2,041,193	735,398	5,677,046	1,346,132	65,994	1,125,034
February	94.9	2,087,705	3,269,930	5,964,137	1,775,500	67,747	854,272
March	95.0	2,267,307	8,731,816	6,576,598	1,973,818	73,157	1,226,281
T O T A L S		16,766,163	15,252,397	71,266,919	14,901,142	548,944	8,015,128
TOTALS LAST YEAR .		15,591,772	7,057,174	70,843,423	16,450,540	524,800	7,788,090

The following table shows the production of mixed grain feed for the calendar years 1938 to 1943:-

Months	1938	1939	1940	1941	1942	1943*
- pounds -						
January	82,815,643	93,943,439	121,391,717	135,022,898	112,881,301	143,177,211
February	70,110,379	87,230,781	109,604,486	114,408,490	98,424,820	129,438,544
March	74,727,173	98,768,151	116,010,649	132,008,597	98,819,145	138,855,154
April	67,389,427	87,828,369	97,403,634	101,199,472	95,206,510	130,972,468
May	48,319,140	68,608,792	88,486,889	86,314,714	78,292,090	107,327,381
June	36,584,972	58,029,907	68,483,403	67,837,491	65,946,163	83,887,825
July	36,178,091	54,239,599	65,093,493	70,886,197	68,802,414	89,360,427
August	50,062,127	66,136,044	78,703,933	86,550,684	83,059,122	97,489,854
September	67,455,658	86,618,856	93,248,815	106,409,195	113,190,640	105,949,852
October	88,907,090	111,042,312	116,436,047	120,587,898	136,395,407	111,121,927
November	108,135,892	129,176,548	132,346,217	125,128,780	149,429,020	135,499,940
December	103,214,444	123,387,870	127,559,529	124,513,835	153,060,710	134,473,842
T O T A L S	833,900,036	1,065,010,669	1,214,768,812	1,270,868,251	1,253,507,342	1,407,554,425

* Preliminary from August to December 1943.



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