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GRAIN MILLING STATISTICS

Flour production in Canada for the month of March 1952 showed improvement over the previous three months. The output of 1,926,301 barrels equalled the output for October, second heavy production month of the current crop year, but fell short of the corresponding month a year ago when the production was 2,210,938 barrels. Total flour production for the eight months (August-March) amounted to 14,705,864 barrels, running more than one million barrels behind last crop year when the production totalled 16,002,032 barrels for the same eight months.

Flour mill operations for March 1952 averaged 77.3 per cent when computed on a 26-day working period in the month and a daily capacity of 95,791 barrels. Mills reporting in February operated 74.1 per cent of their combined rated capacity for 25 days.

Wheat processed into flour in March amounted to 8,804,729 bushels compared with 9,979,817 bushels for the same month last year. Total wheat used for flour for the eight months under review for this crop year amounted to 67,465,602 bushels against 71,998,266 bushels for the same period in 1950-51.

Stocks of wheat in mill bins at the close of March 1952 amounted to 2,619,454 bushels for flour and 160,241 bushels of feed wheat.

MILL GRINDINGS

The following table shows the amount of wheat, oats, corn, barley, buckwheat and mixed grain milled for the month of March 1952 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, 1952 (in bushels).

Grain	Quantities Ground				Stocks on Hand		
	Merchant Mills	Custom Mills	Totals March 1952	Totals March 1951	Merchant Mills	Custom Mills	Totals Mar. 31, 1952
EASTERN DIVISION							
Wheat -							
Manitoba Spring	3,487,922	-	3,487,922	4,105,550	1,499,450	-	1,499,450
Ontario Winter	319,253	-	319,253	372,974	535,894	-	535,894
Durum	176,795	-	176,795	170,676	74,617	-	74,617
Garnet	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
United States	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
All Other	43,761	106,226	149,987	212,765	15,169	230,933	246,102
Totals, Wheat	4,027,731	106,226	4,133,957	4,861,965	2,125,130	230,933	2,356,063
Feed Wheat	69,620	150,120	219,740	217,633	88,573	1,150	89,723
Oats	179,378	626,210	805,588	823,364	310,006	177,744	487,750
Corn	70,169	81,560	151,729	225,263	71,925	22,945	94,870
Barley	59,576	276,051	335,627	297,698	62,893	111,458	174,351
Buckwheat	1,050	620	1,670	995	9,734	2,774	12,508
Mixed Grain	87,417	1,488,673	1,576,090	1,605,007	1,010	14,686	15,696
WESTERN DIVISION							
Wheat -							
Manitoba Spring	4,569,216	-	4,569,216	5,005,179	256,910	-	256,910
Ontario Winter	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Durum	17,418	-	17,418	10,254	-	-	-
Garnet	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
United States	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
All Other	39,307	44,831	84,138	102,419	4,000	2,481	6,481
Totals, Wheat	4,625,941	44,831	4,670,772	5,117,852	260,910	2,481	263,391
Feed Wheat	49,538	13,726	63,264	64,397	70,518	-	70,518
Oats	388,551	65,997	454,548	478,650	95,186	2,843	98,029
Corn	7,420	306	7,726	10,626	19,570	20	19,590
Barley	48,395	43,826	92,221	78,064	37,094	1,803	38,897
Buckwheat	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mixed Grain	101,707	109,214	210,921	200,549	15,689	200	15,889
CANADA							
Wheat -							
Manitoba Spring	8,057,138	-	8,057,138	9,110,729	1,756,360	-	1,756,360
Ontario Winter	319,253	-	319,253	372,974	535,894	-	535,894
Durum	194,213	-	194,213	180,930	74,617	-	74,617
Garnet	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
United States	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
All Other	83,068	151,057	234,125	315,184	19,169	233,414	252,583
Totals, Wheat	8,653,672	151,057	8,804,729	9,979,817	2,386,040	233,414	2,619,454
Feed Wheat	119,158	163,846	283,004	282,030	159,091	1,150	160,241
Oats	567,929	692,207	1,260,136	1,302,014	405,192	180,587	585,779
Corn	77,589	81,866	159,455	235,889	91,495	22,965	114,460
Barley	107,971	319,877	427,848	375,762	99,987	113,261	213,248
Buckwheat	1,050	620	1,670	995	9,734	2,774	12,508
Mixed Grain	189,124	1,597,887	1,787,011	1,805,556	16,699	14,886	31,585

MILLINGS

The following table shows the production from wheat and coarse grains ground in merchant and custom mills in Canada for the month of March 1952, according to divisions, with comparative totals for the same month last year and stocks on hand at March 31, 1952:

Products	Unit of Measure	Production from Grindings				Stocks on Hand March 31, 1952
		Eastern Division	Western Division	Totals March 1952	Totals March 1951	
	Barrels (196 lb.)	<u>WHEAT FLOUR</u>				
Spring No. 1 or Top Patent, including Semolina	"	96,043	281,694	377,737	311,196	250,260
Spring No. 2 Patent	"	208,117	206,314	414,431	444,586	103,076
Spring No. 3 Patent (Strong Bakers or Export Patent)	"	408,690	346,492	755,182	1,107,170	289,014
Whole Wheat and Graham Flour ...	"	8,948	16,500	25,448	27,401	27,336
Ontario Winter Wheat Flour ...	"	69,232	-	69,232	83,374	29,043
Durum Semolina and Flour	"	39,305	3,789	43,094	41,073	14,386
Lower Grades of Flour	"	47,620	107,443	155,063	118,614	21,466
All Other	"	34,540	51,574	86,114	77,524	123,702
Totals, Flour	"	912,495	1,013,806	1,926,301	2,210,938	858,283
	Pounds	<u>SUNDRY CEREALS</u>				
Oatmeal	"	48,100	264,786	312,886	883,898	361,521
Rolled Oats	"	579,917	4,349,585	4,929,502	5,637,023	7,278,488
Corn Flour and Meal	"	1,099,244	-	1,099,244	1,053,376	285,347
Barley, Pot and Pearl	"	47,958	320,447	368,405	340,519	540,290
Buckwheat Flour	"	60,777	-	60,777	29,933	35,200
	Pounds	<u>GROUND FEEDS</u>				
Feed Wheat	"	13,184,400	3,792,860	16,977,260	16,917,800	311,720
Ground Oats	"	26,381,392	6,685,308	33,066,700	32,117,283	1,602,179
Cracked Corn	"	5,249,264	432,656	5,681,920	7,782,050	125,970
Ground Barley	"	15,941,172	3,786,480	19,727,652	17,234,242	617,434
Mixed Grain	"	70,312,067	9,464,972	79,777,039	80,431,463	1,849,157
	Tons	<u>MILLFEEDS</u>				
Bran	"	13,439	17,276	30,715	32,445	2,541
Shorts	"	14,650	13,385	28,035	33,410	4,021
Middlings	"	4,296	6,530	10,826	13,704	1,846
Totals	"	32,385	37,191	69,576	79,559	8,408
All Other Offal*	"	1,280	1,833	3,113	4,726	737
Totals, Offal	"	33,665	39,024	72,689	84,285	9,145

* Including Coarse Grain Offal.

Ontario winter wheat flour production for March 1952 amounted to 69,232 barrels, the lowest monthly output so far this crop year. The comparative production for March a year ago was 83,374 barrels. Total production for this grade of flour for eight months of the present crop year ending with March was 730,377 barrels, while for the same period in 1950-51 the total production was 780,115 barrels.

Exports of wheat flour for March 1952, the highest for any month in the current crop year amounted to 1,123,171 barrels compared with 1,160,291 barrels for the same month last year. This brought the total exports for the months under review from August-March to 6,555,679 barrels, while for the same eight months in 1950-51 the total shipments amounted to 7,657,563 barrels.

Millfeed production for March 1952 amounted to 69,576 tons against 79,559 tons for the corresponding month last year. The breakdown was bran 30,715 (32,445) tons, shorts 28,035 (33,410) tons and middlings 10,826 (13,704) tons. Recorded production for the eight months covered to the end of March 1952 totalled 541,015 tons while for a like period in 1950-51 the total was 570,600 tons.

Total ground feeds amounting to 155,230,571 pounds for the month of March 1952 compared favourably with the volume of 154,482,838 pounds produced in the same month last year. The items in the total were as follows with the comparative figures in brackets and the quantities in pounds: Feed Wheat 16,977,260 (16,917,800); Ground Oats 33,066,700 (32,117,283); Cracked Corn 5,681,920 (7,782,050); Ground Barley 19,727,652 (17,234,242); and Mixed Grain 79,777,039 (80,431,463).

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 1951-52, with comparative figures for 1950-51:

Month	Wheat for Flour	Feed Wheat	Oats	Corn	Barley	Buckwheat	Rye	Mixed Grain
August, 1951	7,747,885	242,116	1,580,374	246,595	520,648	1,751	7,700	1,366,220
September	8,173,807	273,090	1,713,859	219,502	530,108	4,012	8,201	1,697,749
October	8,832,670	308,069	2,009,105	219,503	564,298	7,175	14,022	2,037,534
November	8,957,474	316,007	1,771,802	183,538	491,732	5,995	5,784	2,178,602
December	8,064,982	234,080	1,463,331	131,565	386,500	5,724	4,549	2,035,740
January, 1952	8,505,951	370,653	1,583,518	180,034	522,616	4,451	10,580	2,077,694
February	8,378,104	332,690	1,393,748	161,537	435,559	2,575	10,056	1,917,272
March	8,804,729	283,004	1,260,136	159,455	427,848	1,670	10,612	1,787,011
Totals	67,465,602	2,359,709	12,775,873	1,501,729	3,879,309	33,353	71,504	15,097,822
Totals, Last Year ..	71,998,266	1,987,408	12,251,594	1,727,443	3,293,938	45,087	70,754	14,302,968

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 1951-52, including percentage of operation and wheat flour exports, with comparative figures for 1950-51:

Month	Wheat Flour		Oatmeal	Rolled Oats	Corn Flour and Meal	Millfeeds	Wheat Flour Exports
	Percentage of Operation	Quantity Barrels (196 lb.)					
August, 1951	64.4	1,699,569	303,458*	11,237,948	968,520	61,934	573,624*
September	76.1	1,797,624	371,568	12,751,268	1,360,382	66,673	700,228*
October	75.9	1,926,302	434,258	12,453,734	1,903,938	72,206	855,721*
November	77.1	1,944,215	394,800	10,835,191	1,358,284	72,093	896,318*
December	72.0	1,755,062	301,380	9,070,147	1,110,736	64,187	818,436*
January, 1952	73.5	1,844,408	330,830	7,979,092	1,022,956	68,125	898,711
February	74.1	1,812,383	274,750	6,665,777	887,420	66,221	689,470
March	77.3	1,926,301	312,886	4,929,502	1,099,244	69,576	1,123,171
Totals		14,705,864	2,723,930	75,922,659	9,711,880	541,015	6,555,679
Totals, Last Year ..		16,002,032	3,147,051	70,555,359	9,714,964	570,600	7,657,563

* Exports from August to December 1951 revised to remove effect of time lag in the returns made by Customs. Subsequent months to be revised as data become available.

The following table shows the production of mixed grain feed for the calendar years 1946 to 1951:

Month	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951*
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January	115,884,502	110,554,104	76,740,725	79,377,998	73,512,545	84,774,385
February	104,979,941	98,312,902	68,736,648	72,178,209	67,508,758	75,674,492
March	104,110,148	99,415,535	71,559,087	78,035,960	71,989,978	80,431,463
April	103,206,395	91,573,091	66,798,921	70,485,786	65,705,443	77,192,915
May	92,806,386	83,888,563	63,210,752	57,138,209	55,488,974	67,831,087
June	73,908,814	60,860,589	47,563,902	50,685,483	46,050,386	60,924,497
July	74,873,542	62,486,685	45,030,986	46,708,062	41,574,380	54,808,250
August	79,197,080	57,857,368	54,943,826	63,725,170	53,834,571	60,707,972
September	94,524,137	68,255,677	73,180,020	73,162,580	70,977,907	75,660,889
October	110,485,731	79,078,641	85,537,682	79,109,366	84,056,331	90,263,186
November	117,390,697	86,463,133	91,294,692	85,559,593	94,197,953	97,091,195
December	115,801,588	85,061,171	91,892,715	83,958,748	94,607,145	90,311,142
Totals	1,187,168,961	983,807,459	836,489,956	840,125,164	819,504,371	915,671,473

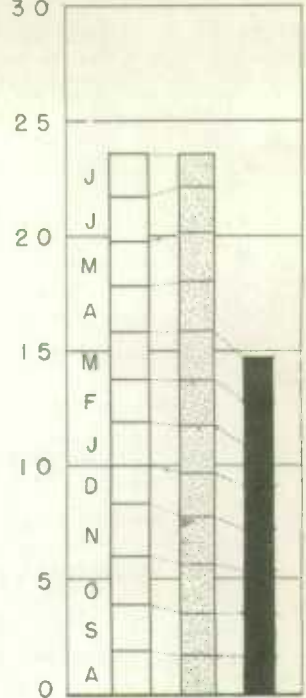
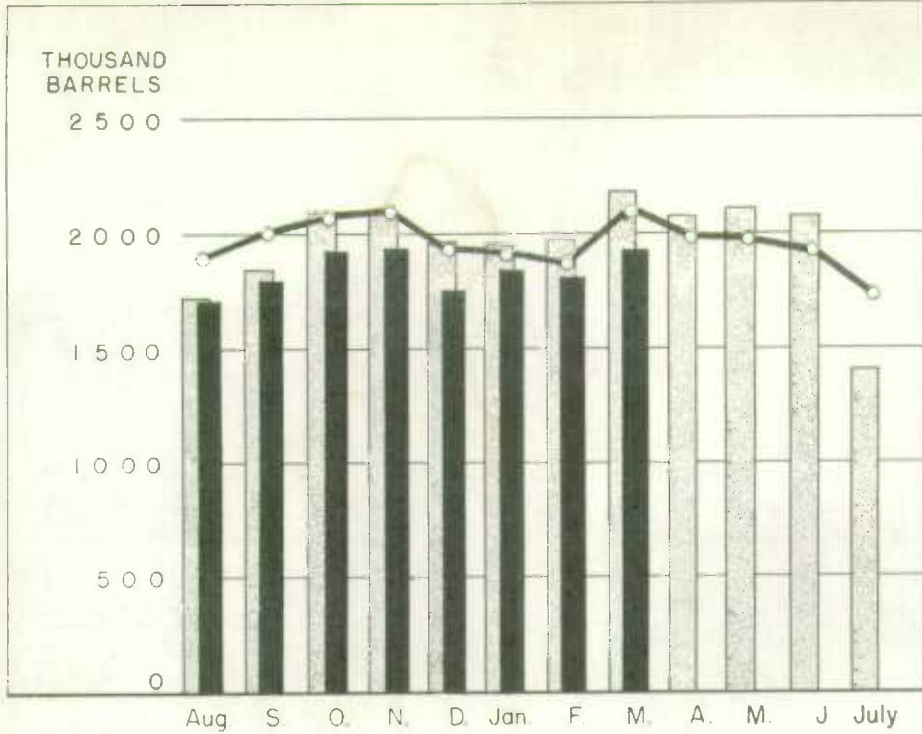
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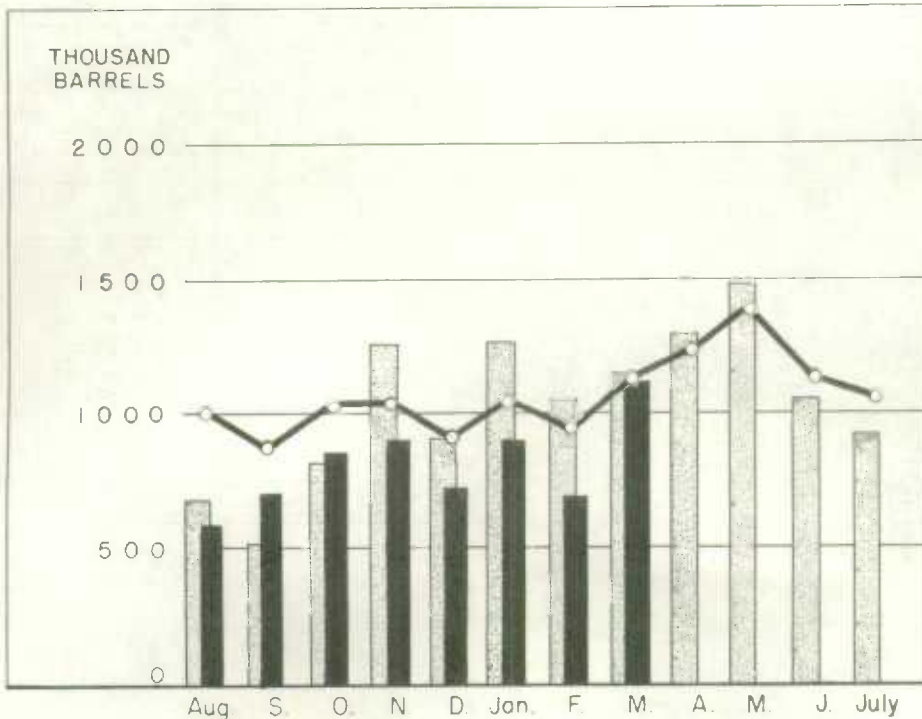
WHEAT FLOUR PRODUCTION

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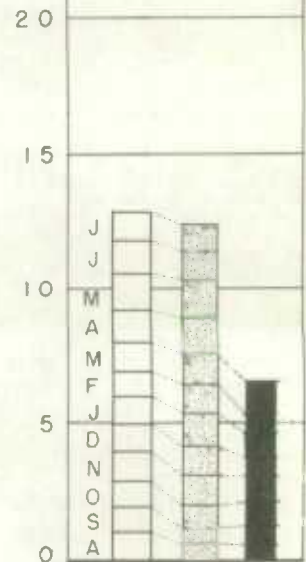


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WHEAT FLOUR EXPORTS



MILLION BARRELS



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