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GRAIN MILLING STATISTICS

Wheat flour production from Canadian mills was set at 1,589,273 barrels for the month of February 1955 against 1,714,357 barrels for the same month last year. Production for the August-February period of the current crop year totalled 12,378,680 barrels, which was above the total of 12,138,109 barrels for the comparative period of the crop year 1953-54.

Mill operations for February 1955 average 68.3 per cent when computed on a 24-day working period in the month and a daily capacity of 96,889 barrels. Mills reporting for January operated 64.6 per cent of their combined rated capacity for 25 days.

Wheat used for the manufacture of flour in February 1955 amounted to 7,113,437 bushels compared with 7,552,537 bushels used in the corresponding month a year ago. For the August-February period of the current crop year a total of 55,031,932 bushels of wheat was manufactured into flour compared with 53,616,362 bushels in the same period in 1953-54.

Stocks of wheat in mill bins at the close of February 1955 amounted to 3,732,865 bushels for flour and 155,586 bushels of feed wheat.

MILL GRINDINGS

The following table shows the amount of wheat, oats, corn, barley, buckwheat and mixed grain ground for the month of February 1955 by merchant and custom mills in Canada according to divisions, with comparative totals for the same month last year and stocks on hand at February 28, 1955 (in bushels):

Grain	Quantities Ground				Stocks on Hand in Mill Bins		
	Merchant Mills	Custom Mills	Totals Feb. 1955	Totals Feb. 1954	Merchant Mills	Custom Mills	Totals Feb. 28, 1955
EASTERN DIVISION							
Wheat -							
Manitoba Spring	2,779,834	-	2,779,834	2,800,483	2,180,652	-	2,180,652
Ontario Winter	392,198	-	392,198	513,129	1,061,029	-	1,061,029
Durum	70,320	-	70,320	68,718	8,639	-	8,639
Garnet	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
United States	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
All Other	2,000	60,745	62,745	83,445	23,771	276,193	299,964
Totals, Wheat	3,244,352	60,745	3,305,097	3,465,775	3,274,091	276,193	3,550,284
Feed Wheat	56,173	125,536	181,709	174,333	82,571	800	83,371
Oats	252,879	567,723	820,602	843,741	132,111	191,283	323,394
Corn	63,918	110,051	173,969	181,237	102,987	76,709	179,696
Barley	66,190	265,662	331,852	341,075	61,938	97,543	159,481
Buckwheat	4,250	212	4,462	3,866	8,603	3,334	11,937
Mixed Grain	93,287	1,193,466	1,286,753	1,148,991	1,400	16,013	17,413
WESTERN DIVISION							
Wheat -							
Manitoba Spring	3,752,020	-	3,752,020	4,029,117	174,257	-	174,257
Ontario Winter	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Durum	10,822	-	10,822	13,400	-	-	-
Garnet	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
United States	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
All Other	37,728	7,770	45,498	44,245	-	8,324	8,324
Totals, Wheat	3,800,570	7,770	3,808,340	4,086,762	174,257	8,324	182,581
Feed Wheat	34,417	17,781	52,198	50,813	72,215	-	72,215
Oats	479,170	45,446	524,616	586,447	58,743	14,688	73,431
Corn	7,190	33	7,223	11,459	11,381	-	11,381
Barley	39,619	26,685	66,304	93,059	51,414	9,572	60,986
Buckwheat	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mixed Grain	118,538	196,060	314,598	301,873	7,289	2,000	9,289
CANADA							
Wheat -							
Manitoba Spring	6,531,854	-	6,531,854	6,829,600	2,354,909	-	2,354,909
Ontario Winter	392,198	-	392,198	513,129	1,061,029	-	1,061,029
Durum	81,142	-	81,142	82,118	8,639	-	8,639
Garnet	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
United States	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
All Other	39,728	68,515	108,243	127,690	23,771	284,517	308,288
Totals, Wheat	7,044,922	68,515	7,113,437	7,552,537	3,448,348	284,517	3,732,865
Feed Wheat	90,590	143,317	233,907	225,146	154,786	800	155,586
Oats	732,049	613,169	1,345,218	1,430,188	190,854	205,971	396,825
Corn	71,108	110,084	181,192	192,696	114,368	76,709	191,077
Barley	105,809	292,347	398,156	434,134	113,352	107,115	220,467
Buckwheat	4,250	212	4,462	3,866	8,603	3,334	11,937
Mixed Grain	211,825	1,389,526	1,601,351	1,450,864	8,689	18,013	26,702

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MILLINGS

The following table shows the production from wheat and coarse grains ground in merchant and custom mills in Canada for the month of February 1955, according to divisions, with comparative totals for the same month last year and stocks on hand at February 28, 1955:

Product	Unit of Measure	Production from Grindings				Stocks on Hand Feb. 28, 1955
		Eastern Division	Western Division	Totals Feb. 1955	Totals Feb. 1954	
<u>WHEAT FLOUR</u>						
	Barrels 196 lb.					
Spring No. 1 or Top Patent, including Semolina	"	103,818	192,739	296,557	316,710	208,117
Spring No. 2 Patent	"	219,709	265,341	485,050	436,024	118,336
Spring No. 3 Patent (Strong Bakers or Export Patent)*	"	261,614	313,307	574,921	675,717	315,534
Whole Wheat and Graham Flour	"	8,349	15,084	23,433	20,916	15,526
Ontario Winter Wheat Flour	"	87,816	-	87,816	113,831	32,005
Durum Semolina and Flour	"	12,718	2,088	14,806	16,788	5,229
Lower Grades of Flour	"	27,084	34,929	62,013	87,346	25,481
All Other	"	18,476	26,201	44,677	47,025	93,138
Totals, Flour	"	739,584	849,689	1,589,273	1,714,357	813,366
<u>SUNDY CEREALS</u>						
	Pounds					
Oatmeal	"	Breakdown		1,043,620	270,580	199,525
Rolled Oats	"	Not		8,339,548	7,457,776	5,455,918
Barley, Pot and Pearl	"	Available		315,882	706,256	267,309
Buckwheat Flour	"			136,739	128,003	75,250
<u>GROUND FEEDS</u>						
	Pounds					
Feed Wheat	"	10,902,540	3,131,880	14,034,420	13,508,760	349,550
Ground Oats	"	23,447,618	5,262,734	28,710,352	34,302,287	1,007,755
Cracked Corn	"	5,471,705	404,488	5,876,193	6,644,530	394,631
Ground Barley	"	15,842,165	2,666,992	18,509,157	19,153,043	386,519
Mixed Grain	"	57,578,548	13,803,069	71,381,617	64,970,065	3,188,710
<u>MILLFEEDS</u>						
	Tons					
Bran	"	11,466	12,435	23,901	25,972	5,700
Shorts	"	10,577	11,179	21,756	22,456	4,786
Middlings	"	3,438	5,129	8,567	7,459	3,708
Totals	"	25,481	28,743	54,224	55,887	14,194
All Other Offal**	"	2,223	2,420	4,643	4,682	583
Totals, Offal	"	27,704	31,163	58,867	60,569	14,777

*Including flour of a higher extraction rate for export to the United Kingdom. **Including Coarse Grain Offal.

Ontario winter wheat flour production recorded at 87,816 barrels for the month of February 1955 was down in volume from the previous month's output of 98,764 barrels, as well as the output of 113,831 barrels for February last year. The total production for this grade of flour for the August-February period of the current crop year amounted to 818,241 barrels, while for the corresponding period in 1953-54 the total production was 1,165,493 barrels.

According to the publication "Trade of Canada", wheat flour exports for February 1955 amounted to 600,104 barrels, bringing the total shipments for the August-February period of the crop year 1954-55 to 5,144,530 barrels compared with total shipments of 5,869,397 barrels (adjusted to remove time lag) for the same period a year ago.

Millfeed production for February 1955 amounted to 54,224 tons compared with 55,887 tons for the same month last year. This was made up of bran 23,901 (25,972) tons, shorts 21,756 (22,456) tons, and middlings 8,567 (7,459) tons. Total millfeed production for the August-February period of the current crop year amounted to 410,973 tons compared with 396,410 tons for the same period in the crop year 1953-54.

Ground feeds for February 1955 totalled 138,511,739 pounds compared with 138,578,685 pounds for the same month last year. The items in this group were as follows with the comparative figures in brackets and the quantities in pounds: Feed Wheat 14,034,420 (13,508,760); Ground Oats 28,710,352 (34,302,287); Cracked Corn 5,876,193 (6,644,530); Ground Barley 18,509,157 (19,153,043); and Mixed Grain 71,381,617 (64,970,065).

SUMMARY OF MILL GRINDINGS

The following table summarizes the mill grind of wheat, oats, corn, barley, buckwheat, rye and mixed grain for seven months of the crop year 1954-55, with comparative figures for 1953-54:

Month	Wheat for Flour	Feed Wheat	Oats	Corn	Barley	Buckwheat	Rye	Mixed Grain
August, 1954	8,059,773	258,936	1,418,339	259,113	477,648	2,503	41,833	1,090,899
September	8,581,211	240,499	1,579,469	204,542	415,942	3,500	15,988	1,407,988
October	8,543,804	234,136	1,528,834	162,333	429,858	3,809	20,324	1,472,887
November	8,363,953	252,699	1,437,423	168,217	467,082	8,168	34,122	1,691,979
December	7,463,128	275,182	1,142,737	206,231	434,069	3,084	25,390	1,767,818
January, 1955	6,906,626	220,513	1,107,410	156,220	387,192	3,641	28,128	1,529,182
February	7,113,437	233,907	1,345,218	181,192	398,156	4,462	30,336	1,601,351
Totals	55,031,932	1,715,872	9,559,430	1,337,848	3,009,947	29,167	196,121	10,568,104
Totals, Last Year ..	53,616,362	1,636,853	10,526,104	1,427,509	2,816,923	33,045	113,138	10,085,013

SUMMARY OF MILL PRODUCTION AND WHEAT FLOUR EXPORTS

The following table summarizes the production of wheat flour, oatmeal, rolled oats and millfeeds for seven months of the crop year 1954-55, including percentage of operation and wheat flour exports, with comparative figures for 1953-54:

Month	Wheat Flour		Oatmeal	Rolled Oats	Millfeeds	Wheat Flour* Exports
	Percentage of Operation	Quantity Barrels (196 lb.)	Pounds	Pounds	Tons	Barrels (196 lb.)
August, 1954	72.0	1,812,296	1,071,909	7,905,548	59,772	751,126
September	79.4	1,929,031	1,415,020	11,519,537	63,877	795,388
October	79.6	1,934,482	1,344,282	11,225,655	63,224	799,145
November	75.2	1,885,284	441,113	9,500,175	62,093	776,615
December	66.6	1,676,067	404,646	4,647,054	56,133	796,893
January, 1955	64.6	1,552,247	602,390	5,311,989	51,650	625,259
February	68.3	1,589,273	1,043,620	8,339,548	54,224	600,104
Totals		12,378,680	6,322,980	58,449,506	410,973	5,144,530
Totals, Last Year		12,138,109	2,772,598	60,792,030	396,410	5,869,397

*Data for the current crop year are unadjusted Customs figures as published in the 'Trade of Canada'. The figures for the comparable period last year have been adjusted to remove the effect of time lag in reporting returns.

The following table shows the manufacture of buckwheat flour for the calendar years 1949 to 1954:

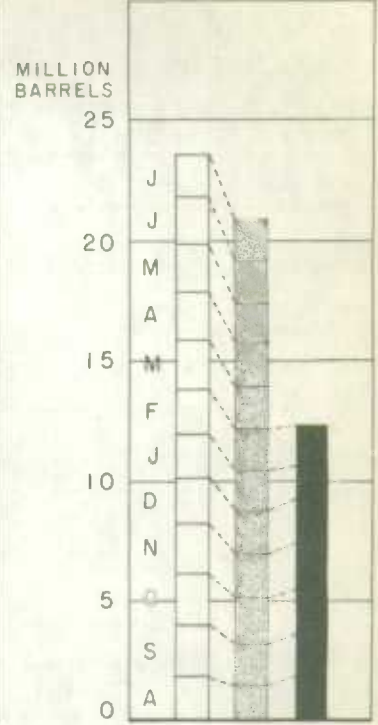
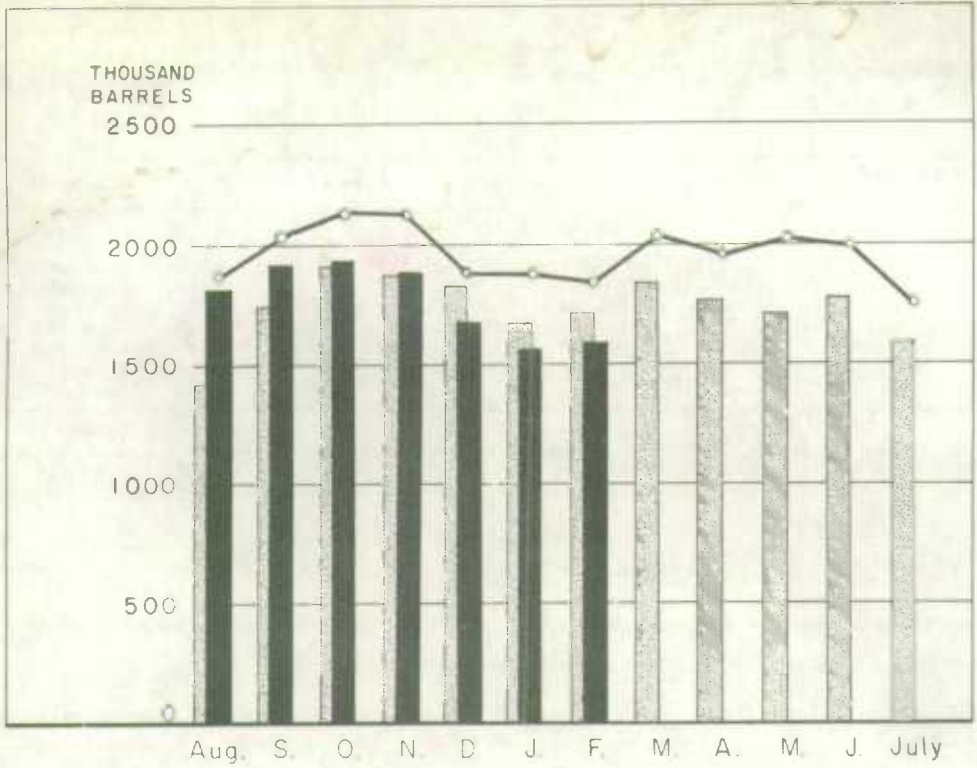
Month	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954 *
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January	61,383	110,724	152,269	108,231	100,019	73,430
February	92,158	56,962	34,693	99,709	81,392	128,003
March	68,805	29,671	29,933	56,685	53,165	66,710
April	9,994	42,280	37,228	23,290	45,353	26,100
May	4,561	32,600	4,047	10,887	2,850	-
June	39,128	27,816	14,098	34,010	-	-
July	10,976	-	1,454	67,561	1,425	49,900
August	55,580	53,650	56,783	19,950	43,725	66,400
September	91,586	161,120	133,221	72,340	121,898	96,560
October	134,005	304,567	226,380	236,415	239,518	114,859
November	208,212	404,963	197,968	159,553	180,405	218,335
December	97,552	172,767	167,014	135,720	168,609	86,986
Totals	873,940	1,397,120	1,055,088	1,024,351	1,038,359	927,283

*Preliminary from August to December 1954.



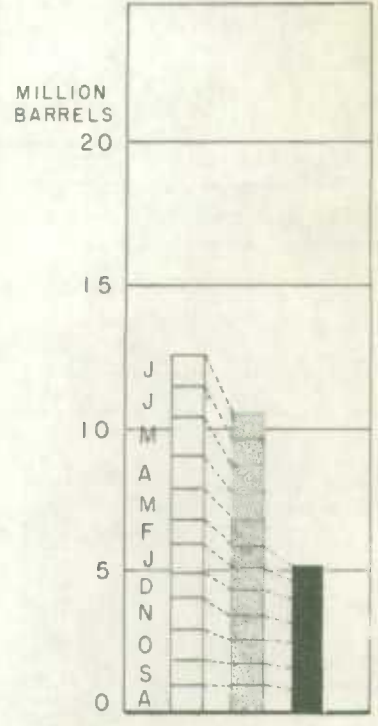
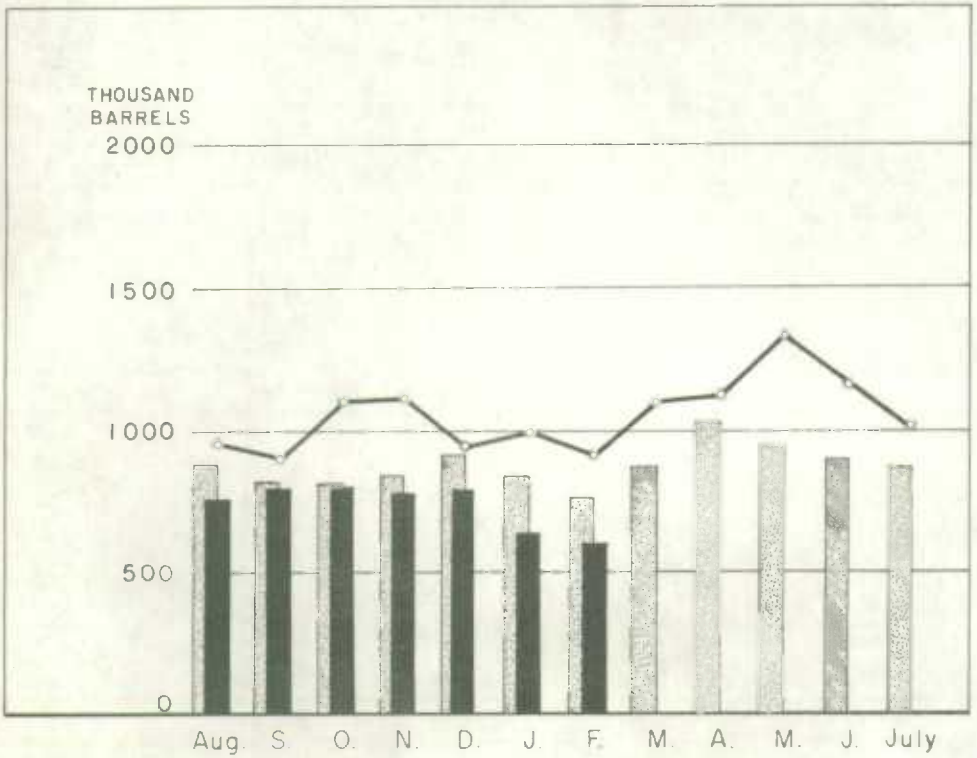
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WHEAT FLOUR PRODUCTION



WHEAT FLOUR EXPORTS

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CUMULATIVE
COMPARISON
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—○— 10 year average
 [Stippled] 1953-54
 [Solid] 1954-55

Legend for Cumulative Comparison:
 [White] 1944-45 - 1953-54
 [Stippled] 1953-54
 [Solid] 1954-55