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GRAIN MILLING STATISTICS

Wheat flour production in Canadian mills, amounting to 1,682,509 barrels for the month of May 1955, was down but slightly from the April production of 1,694,243 barrels, as well as from the comparative production of 1,709,109 barrels for May last year. Total production for the August-May period of the current crop year amounting to 17,647,988 barrels showed a small lead over the total production of 17,436,685 barrels for the same period in 1953-54.

Flour mill operations for May 1955 averaged 73.3 per cent when computed on a 25-day working period in the month and a daily capacity of 91,824 barrels. Mills reporting in April operated 73.7 per cent of their combined rated capacity for the same number of days.

Wheat milled for flour in May 1955 amounted to 7,543,055 bushels compared with 7,549,535 bushels milled in May last year. Total wheat milled for the August-May period of the current crop year amounted to 78,635,184 bushels, while for the corresponding period in 1953-54 the total was 77,042,058 bushels.

Stocks of wheat in mill bins at the close of May 1955 amounted to 2,618,439 bushels for flour and 74,227 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 May 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 May 31, 1955 (in bushels):

Grain	Quantities Ground				Stocks on Hand in Mill Bins		
	Merchant Mills	Custom Mills	Totals May 1955	Totals May 1954	Merchant Mills	Custom Mills	Totals May 31, 1955
EASTERN DIVISION							
Wheat -							
Manitoba Spring	3,078,404	-	3,078,404	3,058,610	1,517,386	-	1,517,386
Ontario Winter	413,701	-	413,701	505,199	608,471	-	608,471
Durum	80,404	-	80,404	76,514	101,641	-	101,641
Garnet	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
United States	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
All Other	-	73,520	73,520	82,617	26,668	175,198	201,866
Totals, Wheat	3,572,509	73,520	3,646,029	3,722,940	2,254,166	175,198	2,429,364
Feed Wheat	72,281	120,045	192,326	178,370	69,784	750	70,534
Oats	281,999	514,231	796,230	792,073	209,423	177,593	387,016
Corn	84,163	117,465	201,628	200,032	138,840	121,943	260,783
Barley	86,071	215,116	301,187	385,464	100,929	88,592	189,521
Buckwheat	125	60	185	-	4,533	1,384	5,917
Mixed Grain	85,146	882,846	967,992	1,022,582	1,520	12,929	14,449
WESTERN DIVISION							
Wheat -							
Manitoba Spring	3,858,747	-	3,858,747	3,781,227	184,263	-	184,263
Ontario Winter	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Durum	10,555	-	10,555	10,823	-	-	-
Garnet	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
United States	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
All Other	25,913	1,811	27,724	34,545	-	4,812	4,812
Totals, Wheat	3,895,215	1,811	3,897,026	3,826,595	184,263	4,812	189,075
Feed Wheat	48,970	21,359	70,329	66,889	3,693	-	3,693
Oats	313,481	52,780	366,261	507,046	38,738	11,466	50,204
Corn	7,082	39	7,121	12,642	1,717	7	1,724
Barley	40,802	33,310	74,112	101,401	6,848	5,675	12,523
Buckwheat	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mixed Grain	105,491	81,647	187,138	263,214	-	1,000	1,000
CANADA							
Wheat -							
Manitoba Spring	6,937,151	-	6,937,151	6,839,837	1,701,649	-	1,701,649
Ontario Winter	413,701	-	413,701	505,199	608,471	-	608,471
Durum	90,959	-	90,959	87,337	101,641	-	101,641
Garnet	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
United States	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
All Other	25,913	75,331	101,244	117,162	26,668	180,010	206,678
Totals, Wheat	7,467,724	75,331	7,543,055	7,549,535	2,438,429	180,010	2,618,439
Feed Wheat	121,251	141,404	262,655	245,259	73,477	750	74,227
Oats	595,480	567,011	1,162,491	1,299,119	248,161	189,059	437,220
Corn	91,245	117,504	208,749	212,674	140,557	121,950	262,507
Barley	126,873	248,426	375,299	486,865	107,777	94,267	202,044
Buckwheat	125	60	185	-	4,533	1,384	5,917
Mixed Grain	190,637	964,493	1,155,130	1,285,796	1,520	13,929	15,449

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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 May 1955, according to divisions, with comparative totals for the same month last year and stocks on hand at May 31, 1955:

Product	Unit of Measure	Production from Grindings				Stocks on Hand May 31, 1955
		Eastern Division	Western Division	Totals May 1955	Totals May 1954	
<u>WHEAT FLOUR</u>						
Spring No. 1 or Top Patent, including Semolina	Barrels 196 lb.	105,974	190,217	296,191	311,566	245,733
Spring No. 2 Patent	"	223,088	289,578	512,666	464,780	117,710
Spring No. 3 Patent (Strong Bakers or Export Patent)*	"	312,791	305,898	618,689	663,976	251,823
Whole Wheat and Graham Flour	"	9,145	14,610	23,755	24,034	14,549
Ontario Winter Wheat Flour	"	91,023	-	91,023	112,157	31,193
Durum Semolina and Flour	"	12,863	2,242	15,105	18,572	4,725
Lower Grades of Flour	"	36,013	43,607	79,620	63,250	25,795
All Other	"	24,439	21,021	45,460	50,768	78,767
Totals, Flour	"	815,336	867,173	1,682,509	1,709,109	770,295
<u>SUNDRY CEREALS</u>						
Oatmeal	Pounds			346,610	207,010	158,932
Rolled Oats	"		Breakdown	5,841,436	4,112,910	7,220,536
Barley, Pot and Pearl	"		not	178,798	240,714	464,480
Buckwheat Flour	"		Available	5,612	-	49,084
<u>GROUND FEEDS</u>						
Feed Wheat	Pounds	11,539,560	4,219,740	15,759,300	14,715,540	236,100
Ground Oats	"	22,457,545	5,877,242	28,334,787	35,878,491	935,950
Cracked Corn	"	6,999,288	398,776	7,398,064	7,835,637	480,345
Ground Barley	"	14,269,864	3,276,332	17,546,196	22,679,165	338,779
Mixed Grain	"	42,843,673	8,577,892	51,421,565	57,532,080	2,001,492
<u>MILLFEEDS</u>						
Bran	Tons	10,969	11,966	22,935	23,812	2,400
Shorts	"	13,375	10,971	24,346	24,119	3,483
Middlings	"	3,741	6,645	10,386	7,328	1,778
Totals	"	28,085	29,582	57,667	55,259	7,661
All Other Offal**	"	2,352	1,478	3,830	3,744	873
Totals, Offal	"	30,437	31,060	61,497	59,003	8,534

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

Ontario winter wheat flour production for May 1955 amounted to 91,023 barrels compared with 112,157 barrels for the same month a year ago. Total production for the August-May period of the current crop year amounted to 1,122,636 barrels, while for the same period in 1953-54 the total production for this grade of flour was 1,512,196 barrels.

According to the publication "Trade and Canada", wheat flour exports in May 1955 amounted to 818,213 barrels. This brought the total shipments for the August-May period of the current crop year to 7,667,268 barrels. Customs exports (adjusted to remove time lag) for the comparable period last crop year amounted to 8,633,427 barrels.

Millfeed production for May 1955 amounted to 57,667 tons compared with 55,259 tons for the same month last year. This was comprised of bran 22,935 (23,812) tons, shorts 24,346 (24,119) tons and middlings 10,386 (7,328) tons. Total millfeed production for the August-May period of the current crop year amounted to 590,031 tons against 569,318 tons for the corresponding period in 1953-54.

Ground feeds for May 1955 totalled 120,459,912 pounds compared with 138,640,913 pounds for the same month last year. The items in the total were as follows with the comparable figures in brackets and the quantities in pounds: Feed Wheat 15,759,300 (14,715,540); Ground Oats 28,334,787 (35,878,491); Cracked Corn 7,398,064 (7,835,637); Ground Barley 17,546,196 (22,679,165); and Mixed Grain 51,421,565 (57,532,080).

SUMMARY OF MILL GRINDINGS

The following table summarizes the mill grind of wheat, oats, corn, barley, buckwheat, rye and mixed grain for ten 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
	- bushels -							
August, 1954	8,059,773	258,936	1,418,339	259,113	477,648	2,503	41,833	1,096,899
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
March	8,485,397	284,833	1,361,381	243,045	403,714	2,370	33,594	1,627,795
April	7,574,800	246,771	1,162,676	195,916	415,492	122	16,249	1,534,366
May	7,543,055	262,655	1,162,491	208,749	375,299	185	24,766	1,155,130
Totals	78,635,184	2,510,131	13,245,978	1,985,558	4,204,452	31,844	270,730	14,885,395
Totals, Last Year	77,042,058	2,377,872	14,717,294	2,128,213	4,270,053	35,886	189,673	14,503,325

SUMMARY OF MILL PRODUCTION AND WHEAT FLOUR EXPORTS

The following table summarizes the production of wheat flour, oatmeal, rolled oats and millfeeds for ten 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 Pounds	Rolled Oats Pounds	Millfeeds Tons	Wheat Flour ^{1/} Exports Barrels 196 lb.
	Percentage of Operation	Quantity 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	776,015
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
March	76.2	1,892,556	710,867	7,722,109	64,309	848,262
April	73.7	1,694,243	189,840	4,270,988	57,082	856,263
May	73.3	1,682,509	346,610	5,841,436	57,667	818,213
Totals		17,647,988	7,570,297	76,284,039	590,031	7,667,268
Totals, Last Year ..		17,436,685	3,811,578	79,211,282	569,318	8,633,427

^{1/} 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 production of barley feed for the calendar years 1949 to 1954:

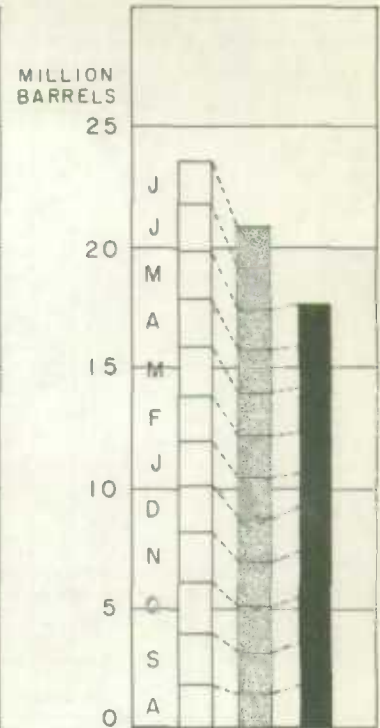
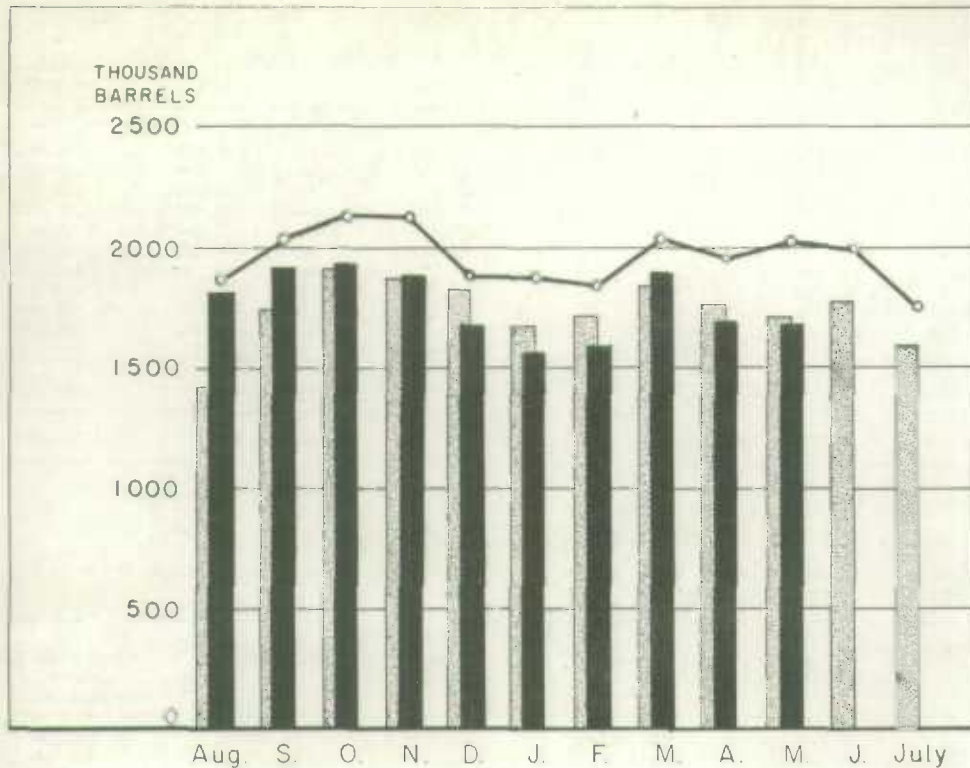
Month	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954*
	- pounds -					
January	33,362,456	19,209,882	17,253,714	22,786,154	17,058,496	20,017,590
February	30,413,381	20,378,662	15,035,124	20,104,760	15,836,639	19,153,043
March	33,208,339	24,491,292	17,234,242	20,472,805	16,960,807	21,776,140
April	32,881,016	21,199,256	14,807,293	21,886,498	15,791,344	22,320,703
May	30,375,491	22,401,743	18,445,082	24,560,332	15,248,589	22,679,165
June	31,226,935	20,941,485	17,874,308	23,017,091	14,007,138	21,835,277
July	28,403,798	18,320,310	21,889,905	24,979,068	15,041,880	21,598,981
August	34,710,696	20,341,943	25,697,256	23,204,614	16,284,870	21,850,102
September	29,319,788	21,773,717	23,880,300	20,157,827	15,826,712	18,950,781
October	24,926,072	18,890,375	23,286,958	18,892,650	17,624,790	19,704,200
November	22,933,542	19,828,103	22,364,364	16,519,447	18,542,455	21,307,008
December	20,111,766	18,664,676	18,455,900	17,000,936	18,195,380	19,989,212
Totals	351,873,280	246,441,444	236,224,446	253,582,182	196,419,100	251,182,202

* Preliminary from August to December 1954.



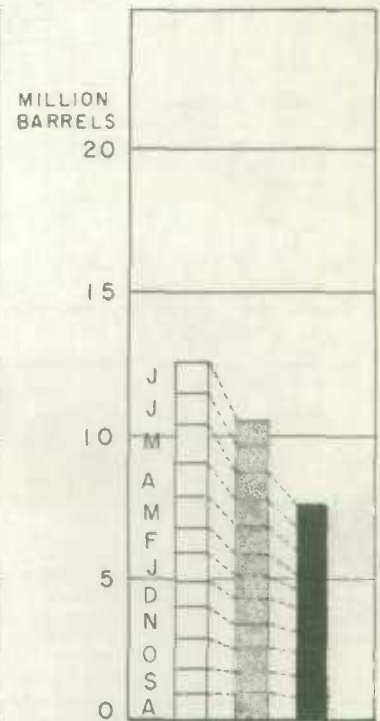
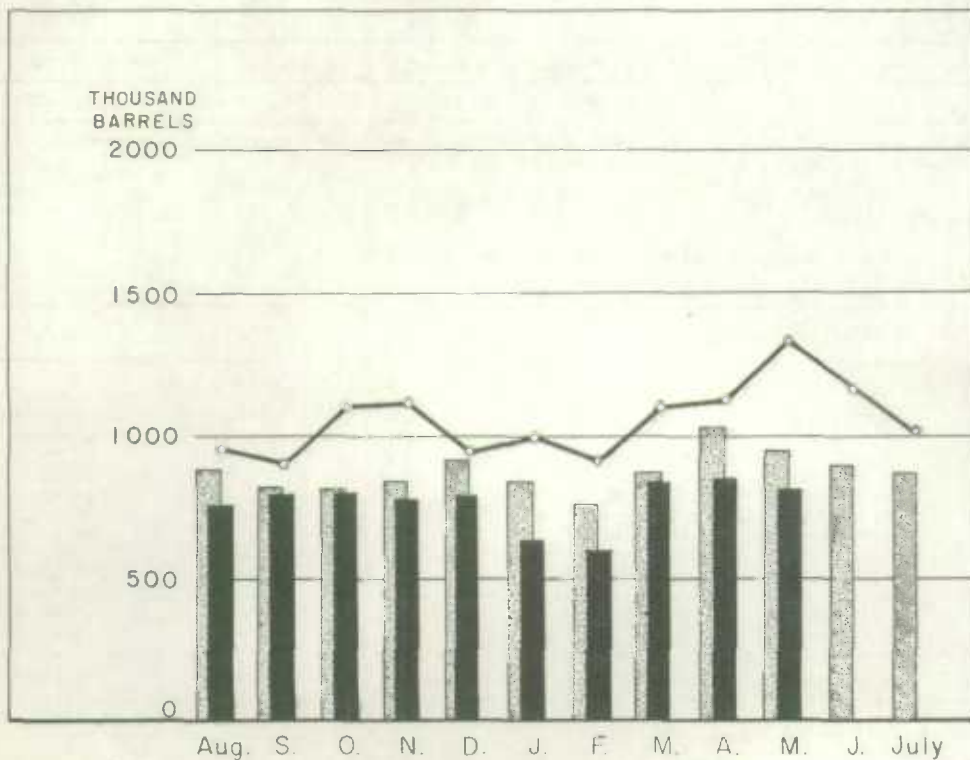
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WHEAT FLOUR PRODUCTION



WHEAT FLOUR EXPORTS

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COMPARISON



LEGEND

10 year average 1944-45 - 1953-54
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