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GRAIN MILLING STATISTICS

Wheat flour production in Canada for the month of October 1956 amounted to 3,540,745 hundredweight compared with 3,456,615 hundredweight for the corresponding month last year. The production for October showed an increase over the previous month which had an output of 3,192,582 hundredweight, but fell below the ten-year (1946-1955) October average output of 4,071,748 hundredweight. Total production of flour for the August-October period of the current crop year amounted to 10,181,917 hundredweight against 10,263,413 hundredweight for the same period of the crop year 1955-56.

Mill reporting operations for October 1956 averaged 79.6 per cent of their combined rated capacity of 171,160 hundredweight for a 26-day working period. Mills reporting in September operated 78.7 per cent of their combined rated capacity for 24 days.

Wheat milled for flour in October 1956 amounted to 8,038,284 bushels compared with 7,929,756 bushels milled in the same month last year. Ontario winter wheat included in the October 1956 total amounted to 452,470 bushels compared with 511,671 bushels of this grade for October 1955. Total wheat used for flour for the August-October period of the current crop year was 23,140,967 bushels compared with 23,544,761 bushels for the same period last crop year.

Stocks of wheat in mill bins at the close of October 1956 amounted to 3,290,359 bushels for flour and 84,818 bushels of feed wheat.

MILL GRINDINGS

The following table shows the amount of wheat, oats, barley, corn, buckwheat and mixed grain ground for the month of October 1956 by merchant and custom mills in Canada, according to divisions, with comparative totals for the same month last year and stocks on hand at October 31, 1956 (in bushels):

Grain	Quantities Ground				Stocks on Hand in Mill Bins		
	Merchant Mills	Custom Mills	Totals October 1956	Totals October 1955	Merchant Mills	Custom Mills	Totals October 31, 1956
EASTERN DIVISION							
Wheat -							
Manitoba Spring	3,144,873	-	3,144,873	2,886,930	1,242,292	-	1,242,292
Ontario Winter	452,470	-	452,470	511,671	1,383,420	-	1,383,420
Durum	76,352	-	76,352	124,226	71,289	-	71,289
All Other	43,289	95,972	139,261	87,978	56,310	416,567	472,877
Totals, Wheat	3,716,984	95,972	3,812,956	3,610,805	2,753,311	416,567	3,169,878
Feed Wheat	123,088	178,024	301,112	213,536	74,755	600	75,355
Oats	351,798	664,167	1,015,965	816,579	87,128	122,608	209,736
Barley	136,612	292,755	429,367	361,233	38,050	87,646	125,696
Corn	134,781	152,730	287,511	255,582	57,497	44,259	101,756
Buckwheat	4,758	1,042	5,800	6,484	22,102	2,472	24,574
Mixed Grain	75,533	982,706	1,058,239	1,216,093	1,700	15,400	17,100
WESTERN DIVISION							
Wheat -							
Manitoba Spring	4,096,350	-	4,096,350	4,242,141	119,719	-	119,719
Ontario Winter	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Durum	30,040	-	30,040	16,993	-	-	-
All Other	86,250	12,688	98,938	59,817	-	762	762
Totals, Wheat	4,212,640	12,688	4,225,328	4,318,951	119,719	762	120,481
Feed Wheat	42,191	19,772	61,963	52,140	9,463	-	9,463
Oats	597,093	32,026	629,119	610,874	134,847	1,820	136,667
Barley	46,223	25,534	71,757	74,311	17,515	1,110	18,625
Corn	5,507	-	5,507	3,789	6,420	-	6,420
Buckwheat	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mixed Grain	123,129	168,124	291,253	324,269	-	-	-
CANADA							
Wheat -							
Manitoba Spring	7,241,223	-	7,241,223	7,129,071	1,362,011	-	1,362,011
Ontario Winter	452,470	-	452,470	511,671	1,383,420	-	1,383,420
Durum	106,392	-	106,392	141,219	71,289	-	71,289
All Other	129,539	108,660	238,199	147,795	56,310	417,329	473,639
Totals, Wheat	7,929,624	108,660	8,038,284	7,929,756	2,873,030	417,329	3,290,359
Feed Wheat	165,279	197,796	363,075	265,676	84,218	600	84,818
Oats	948,891	696,193	1,645,084	1,427,453	221,975	124,428	346,403
Barley	182,835	318,289	501,124	435,544	55,565	88,756	144,321
Corn	140,288	152,730	293,018	259,371	63,917	44,259	108,176
Buckwheat	4,758	1,042	5,800	6,484	22,102	2,472	24,574
Mixed Grain	198,662	1,150,830	1,349,492	1,540,362	1,700	15,400	17,100

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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 October 1956, according to divisions, with comparative totals for the same month last year and stocks on hand at October 31, 1956:

Product	Unit of Measure	Production from Grindings				Stocks on Hand October 31, 1956
		Eastern Division	Western Division	Totals October 1956	Totals October 1955	
<u>WHEAT FLOUR</u>						
Spring No. 1 or Top Patent, including Semolina	"	172,619	545,240	717,859	710,035	380,455
Spring No. 2 Patent	"	577,293	539,603	1,116,896	971,848	241,323
Spring No. 3 Patent (Strong Bakers or Export Patent 1/ ...)	"	444,567	562,099	1,006,666	1,177,590	364,083
Whole Wheat and Graham Flour ..	"	17,956	29,770	47,726	42,659	23,673
Ontario Winter Wheat Flour	"	209,874	-	209,874	218,879	26,598
Durum Semolina and Flour	"	34,227	12,581	46,808	48,635	9,450
Lower Grades of Flour	"	123,305	102,678	225,983	176,347	71,804
All Other Flour	"	74,566	94,367	168,933	110,620	163,130
Totals, Flour	"	1,654,407	1,886,338	3,540,745	3,456,615	1,280,516
<u>SUNDRY CEREALS</u>						
Oatmeal	"	Breakdown		506,775	332,714	235,130
Rolled Oats	"	Not		10,261,275	9,283,622	4,360,891
Barley, Pot and Pearl	"	Available		618,630	411,484	286,249
Buckwheat Flour	"			112,418	183,992	12,700
<u>GROUND FEEDS</u>						
Feed Wheat	"	18,066,720	3,717,780	21,784,500	15,940,560	289,340
Ground Oats	"	28,729,105	4,725,794	33,454,899	29,908,426	1,979,674
Ground Barley	"	20,199,431	2,454,024	22,653,455	19,952,250	387,689
Cracked Corn	"	10,933,202	308,392	11,241,594	8,911,556	416,880
Mixed Grain	"	47,339,783	13,007,726	60,347,509	69,649,883	3,018,640
<u>MILLFEEDS</u>						
Bran	"	12,817	12,929	25,746	26,899	3,649
Shorts	"	12,778	12,923	25,701	24,185	2,999
Middlings	"	4,170	5,449	9,619	10,047	2,511
Totals	"	29,765	31,301	61,066	61,131	9,159
All Other Offal 2/	"	2,804	3,821	6,625	6,188	1,238
Totals, Offal	"	32,569	35,122	67,691	67,319	10,397

1/ Including flour of a higher extraction rate for export to the United Kingdom.

2/ Including Coarse Grain Offal.

Ontario winter wheat flour production for October 1956 amounted to 209,874 hundredweight. This showed a small gain over the previous month's production of 203,997 hundredweight, but was down from the comparable production of 218,879 hundredweight for October last year. Total production for this grade of flour for the first three months of the current crop year amounted to 608,746 hundredweight against 671,073 hundredweight for the same three months of the crop year 1955-56.

According to the publication 'Trade of Canada', wheat flour exports for the month of October 1956 amounted to 1,460,602 hundredweight, bringing the total exports for the first three months of this milling season to 4,162,891 hundredweight compared with 4,309,178 hundredweight (adjusted to remove the effect of time lag) for the comparable months of 1955-56.

Millfeed production for October 1956 amounted to 61,066 tons compared with 61,131 tons for the same month a year ago. The breakdown was bran 25,746 (26,899) tons, shorts 25,701 (24,185) tons and middlings 9,619 (10,047) tons. Total millfeeds for the first three months under review in the current crop year amounted to 176,504 tons compared with 180,804 tons for the same three months last crop year.

Total Ground feeds for October 1956 amounted to 149,481,957 pounds compared with 144,362,675 pounds for the same month last year. The items in this total were as follows with the comparative figures in brackets and the quantities in pounds: Feed Wheat 21,784,500 (15,940,560); Ground Oats 33,454,899 (29,908,426); Ground Barley 22,653,455 (19,952,250); Cracked Corn 11,241,594 (8,911,556); and Mixed Grain 60,347,509 (69,649,883).

SUMMARY OF MILL GRINDINGS

The following table summarizes the mill grind of wheat, oats, barley, corn, buckwheat, rye, and mixed grain for the first three months of the crop year 1956-57, with comparative figures for 1955-56:

Month	Wheat for Flour	Feed Wheat	Oats	Barley	Corn	Buckwheat	Rye	Mixed Grain
- bushels -								
August 1956	7,872,881	316,810	1,420,082	438,801	236,112	1,953	29,760	1,069,285
September	7,229,802	320,076	1,422,388	413,234	258,322	1,580	19,976	1,184,641
October	8,038,284	363,075	1,645,084	501,124	293,018	5,800	40,581	1,349,492
Totals	23,140,967	999,961	4,487,554	1,353,159	787,452	9,333	90,317	3,603,418
Totals, Last Year	23,544,761	804,773	4,133,556	1,281,899	751,906	8,779	80,075	4,306,609

SUMMARY OF MILL PRODUCTION AND WHEAT FLOUR EXPORTS

The following table summarizes the production of wheat flour, oatmeal, rolled oats and millfeeds for the first three months of the crop year 1956-57, including percentage of operation and wheat flour exports, with comparative figures for 1955-56:

Month	WHEAT FLOUR		Oatmeal	Rolled Oats	Millfeeds	Wheat Flour 1/ Exports
	Percentage of Operation	Quantity Hundredweight	Pounds	Pounds	Tons	Hundredweight
August 1956	71.7	3,448,590	374,735	9,486,885	60,628	1,493,103
September	78.7	3,192,582	308,750	9,646,326	54,810	1,209,186
October	79.6	3,540,745	506,775	10,261,275	61,066	1,460,602
Totals	-	10,181,917	1,190,260	29,394,486	176,504	4,162,891
Totals, Last Year	-	10,263,413	1,021,563	25,202,530	180,804	4,309,178

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.

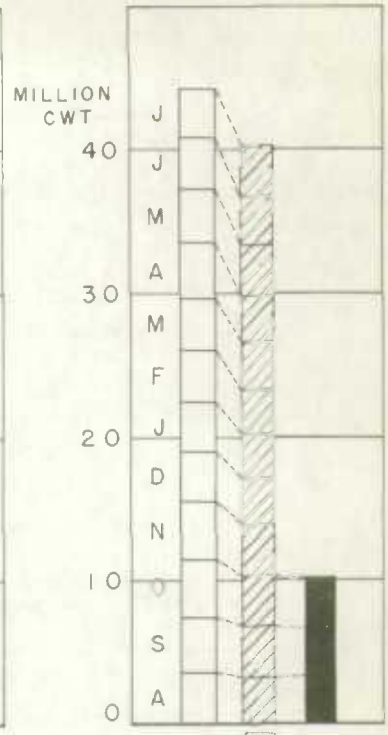
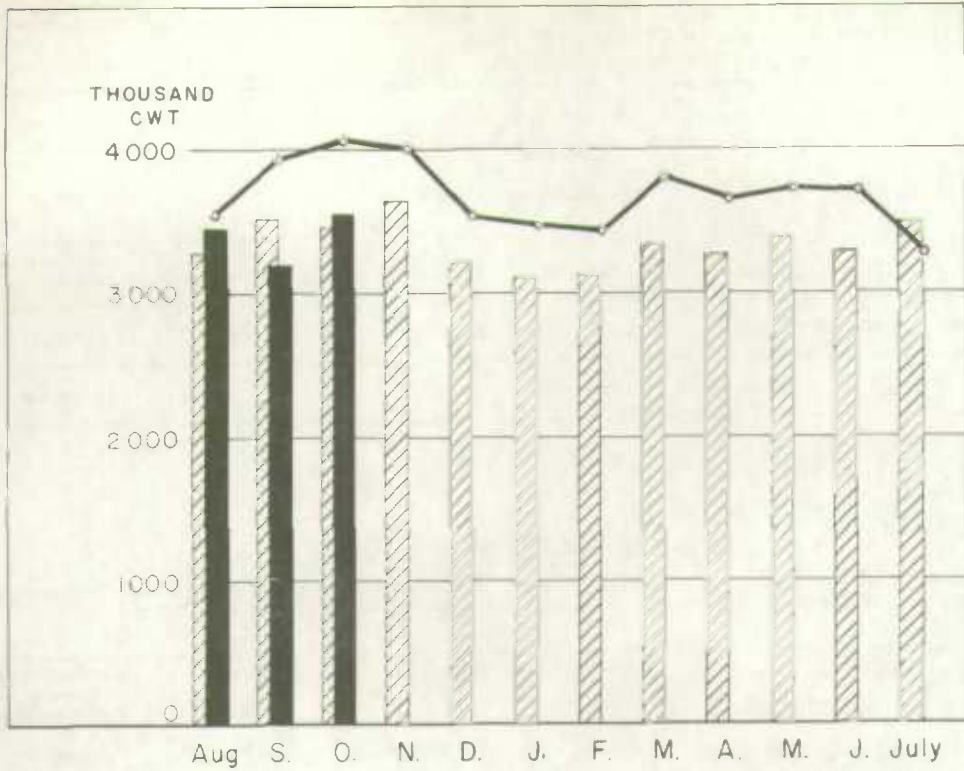
The following table shows the manufacture of oatmeal and rolled oats in Canada for the calendar years 1951 to 1955:

Month	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955
- pounds -					
January	9,078,807	8,309,922	3,447,982	7,211,224	5,914,379
February	7,055,711	6,940,527	5,663,350	7,728,356	9,383,168
March	6,520,921	5,242,388	7,089,904	7,358,532	8,432,976
April	3,546,959	5,764,804	5,134,040	7,779,780	4,460,828
May	6,416,796	4,127,924	2,833,594	4,319,920	6,188,046
June	7,252,103	5,935,610	3,636,151	7,512,505	6,619,216
July	6,167,644	5,500,806	5,208,480	5,295,720	6,049,287
August	11,541,406	7,412,849	10,160,588	8,977,457	7,630,044
September	13,122,836	12,218,807	11,147,297	12,934,557	8,977,713
October	12,887,992	14,179,456	11,115,463	12,569,937	9,616,336
November	11,229,991	10,365,841	8,542,845	9,941,288	7,892,443
December	9,371,527	7,264,319	7,658,855	5,051,700	6,775,349
Totals	104,192,693	93,263,253	81,638,549	96,680,976	87,939,785



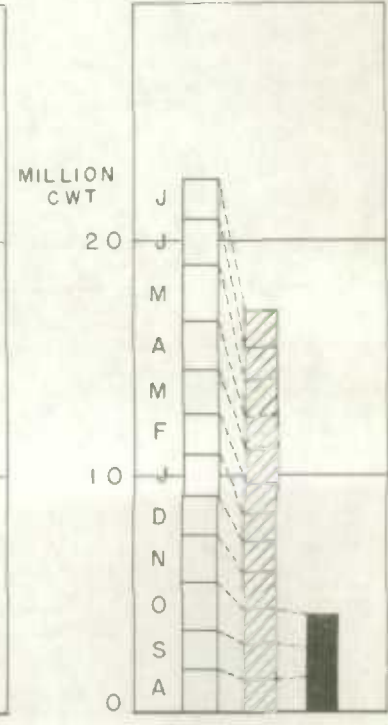
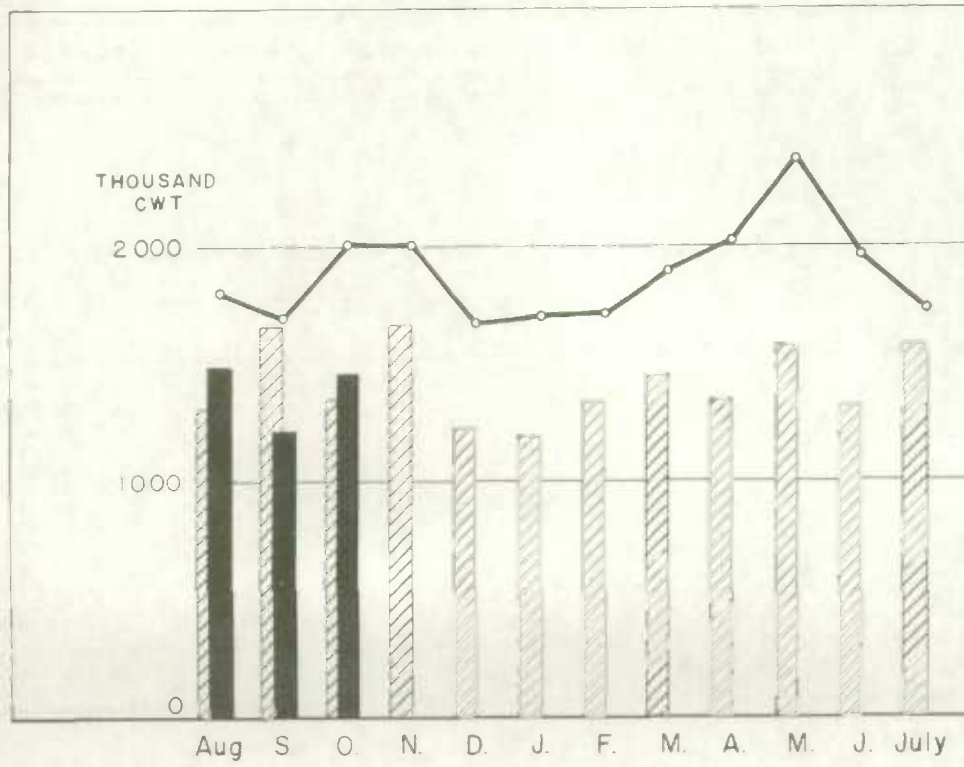
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WHEAT FLOUR PRODUCTION



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WHEAT FLOUR EXPORTS



10 year average 1946-47-1955-56
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