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GRAIN MILLING STATISTICS

Wheat flour mills reporting for December, the closing month of the calendar year 1957, had an output of 3,127,000 hundredweight of wheat flour as compared with 3,142,000 hundredweight for the corresponding month in 1956. The preliminary total of wheat flour for the calendar year ending with December 1957 was 37,639,000 hundredweight against 39,994,000 hundredweight (revised) for the calendar year 1956. Production of wheat flour for the August-December period of the current crop year totalled 16,973,000 hundredweight as against 16,964,000 hundredweight for the same period in 1956-57. Ontario winter wheat flour included in the quantity for the month under review amounted to 193,000 hundredweight against 164,000 hundredweight in December 1956. Total output of Ontario winter wheat flour for the August-December period of the current crop year amounted to 1,195,000 hundredweight against 980,000 hundredweight for the same period in 1956-57.

Mills reporting operations for December 1957 averaged 69.7 per cent of their combined rated capacity of 179,000 hundredweight for a 25-day working period. Mills reporting in November 1957 operated 80.9 per cent of their combined rated capacity for 25 days.

Wheat milled for flour in December 1957 amounted to 7,047,000 bushels compared with 7,114,000 bushels milled in December 1956. Ontario winter wheat included in the December 1957 total amounted to 466,000 bushels compared with 385,000 bushels for the month of December 1956. Total wheat used for flour during the August-December period of the current crop year was 38,272,000 bushels compared with 38,562,000 bushels in the same period of 1956-57.

Stocks of wheat for flour in mill bins at the close of December 1957 amounted to 3,421,000 bushels.

According to the publication 'Trade of Canada', wheat flour exports for the month of December 1957 amounted to 1,705,000 hundredweight, bringing the total exports for the first five months of this milling season to 6,732,000 hundredweight. Total exports for the comparable period in 1956-57 amounted to 6,757,000 hundredweight (adjusted to remove the effect of time lag in reporting returns).

Millfeed production for December 1957 amounted to 52,000 tons compared with 54,000 tons for the same month last year. The breakdown was as follows: bran 23,000 (23,000) tons, shorts 22,000 (22,000) tons and middlings 7,000 (9,000) tons. Total millfeed production for the August-December period of the 1957-58 crop year was 286,000 tons, while for the comparable period in the preceding crop year the total was 294,000 tons.

WHEAT

The following table shows the amount of wheat milled in Canadian mills for the month of December 1957, according to divisions, with comparative totals for the same month last year and stocks on hand at December 31, 1957:

Wheat	QUANTITIES MILLED				STOCKS ON HAND IN MILL BINS		
	Eastern Division	Western Division	Totals Dec./57	Totals Dec./56	Eastern Division	Western Division	Totals Dec. 31/57
	- '000 bushels -						
Manitoba Spring	3,004	3,420	6,424	6,445	1,990	138	2,128
Ontario Winter	466	-	466	385	1,099	-	1,099
Durum	94	7	101	119	133	-	133
All Other	10	46	56	165	62	-	62
Totals, Wheat	3,573	3,474	7,047	7,114	3,283	138	3,421

NOTE: Components in tables may not add exactly to the totals due to rounding.

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MILLING

The following table shows the production from wheat and coarse grains milled in Canadian mills for the month of December 1957, according to divisions, with comparative totals for the same month last year and stocks on hand at December 31, 1957:

Product	Unit of Measure	PRODUCTION FROM MILLINGS				Stocks on Hand
		Eastern Division	Western Division	Totals Dec./57	Totals Dec./56	Dec. 31 1957
'000 cwt.						
<u>WHEAT FLOUR</u>						
Spring No. 1 or Top Patent, including Semolina	"	184	389	573	664	551
Spring No. 2 Patent	"	470	446	916	865	194
Spring No. 3 Patent (Strong Bakers or Export Patent) ^{1/}	"	535	563	1,097	1,024	551
Whole Wheat and Graham Flour	"	21	19	40	45	24
Ontario Winter Wheat Flour	"	193	-	193	164	54
Durum Semolina and Flour	"	42	3	45	40	16
Lower Grades of Flour	"	86	60	147	189	74
All Other Flour	"	61	55	116	150	24
Totals, Flour	"	1,593	1,534	3,127	3,142	1,488

'000 lbs.

SUNDRY CEREALS

Oatmeal	"			2,658	450	333
Rolled Oats	"	Breakdown		4,386	8,697	4,033
Barley, Pot and Pearl	"	not		408	244	317
Rye Flour & Meal	"	Available		1,164	1,039	417

'000 tons

MILLFEEDS

Bran	"	12	11	23	23	3
Shorts	"	12	10	22	22	2
Middlings	"	3	4	7	9	5
Totals	"	27	25	52	54	10

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

SUMMARY OF MILLINGS

The following table summarizes the milling of wheat and coarse grains for human consumption for the first five months of the crop year 1957-58:

Month	Wheat for Flour	Oats	Barley	Rye
- '000 bushels -				
August 1957	7,094	443	18	35
September	7,630	631	18	33
October	8,315	554	28	41
November	8,186	489	15	38
December	7,047	386	18	29
Totals	38,272	2,503	96	175
Totals Last Year	38,562	- Not Comparable -		

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 five months of the crop year 1957-58, including percentage of operation and wheat flour exports, with comparative figures for 1956-57:

Month	WHEAT FLOUR		Oatmeal '000 pounds	Rolled Oats '000 pounds	Millfeeds '000 tons	Wheat Flour 1/ Exports '000 cwt.
	% of Operation	Quantity '000 cwt.				
August 1957	65.0	3,152	386	7,204	53	1,077
September	78.5	3,373	1,738	9,846	58	1,191
October	79.0	3,688	689	9,508	62	1,512
November	80.9	3,638	2,419	6,486	61	1,248
December	69.7	3,127	2,658	4,386	52	1,705
Totals	-	16,978	7,890	37,430	286	6,732
Totals Last Year	-	16,964	2,519	46,058	294	6,757

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.

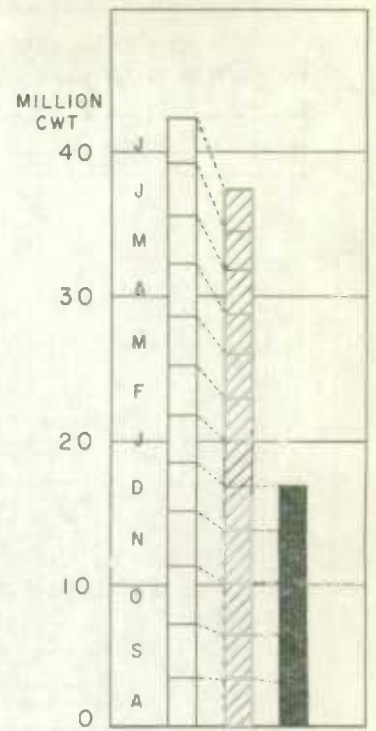
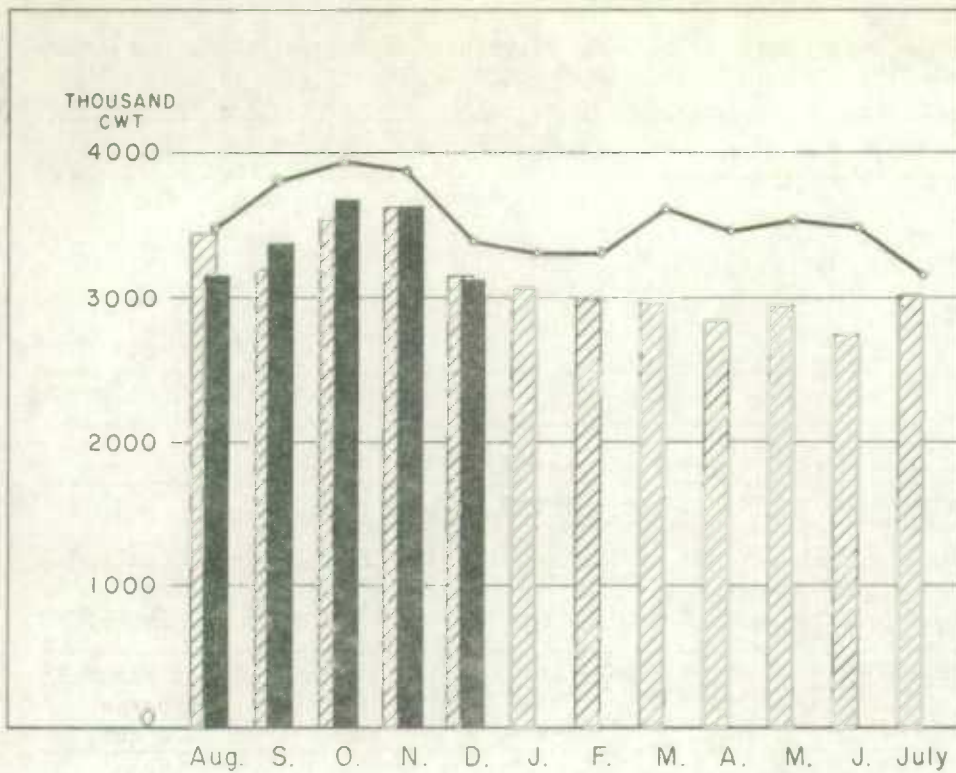
The following table gives the quantity of wheat ground and wheat flour produced by divisions for the calendar year 1957 (preliminary):

Month	Wheat Ground			Wheat Flour Produced		
	Eastern Division	Western Division	Totals Canada	Eastern Division	Western Division	Totals Canada
'000 - bushels -						
January	3,535	3,417	6,952	1,555	1,520	3,074
February	3,370	3,366	6,736	1,485	1,508	2,992
March	3,305	3,380	6,684	1,471	1,512	2,983
April	3,210	3,219	6,429	1,416	1,441	2,858
May	3,586	3,098	6,684	1,584	1,384	2,968
June	3,256	3,009	6,265	1,426	1,339	2,765
July	3,572	3,262	6,833	1,570	1,452	3,022
August	3,815	3,279	7,094	1,686	1,466	3,152
September	3,888	3,742	7,630	1,716	1,657	3,373
October	4,144	4,171	8,315	1,835	1,853	3,688
November	4,108	4,078	8,186	1,834	1,804	3,638
December	3,573	3,474	7,047	1,593	1,534	3,127
Totals, 1957	43,361	41,493	84,855	19,169	18,470	37,639
Totals, 1956 (Revised)	44,623	46,513	91,136	19,446	20,548	39,994



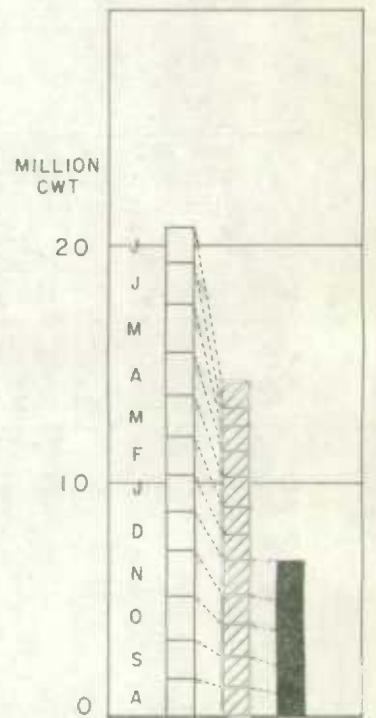
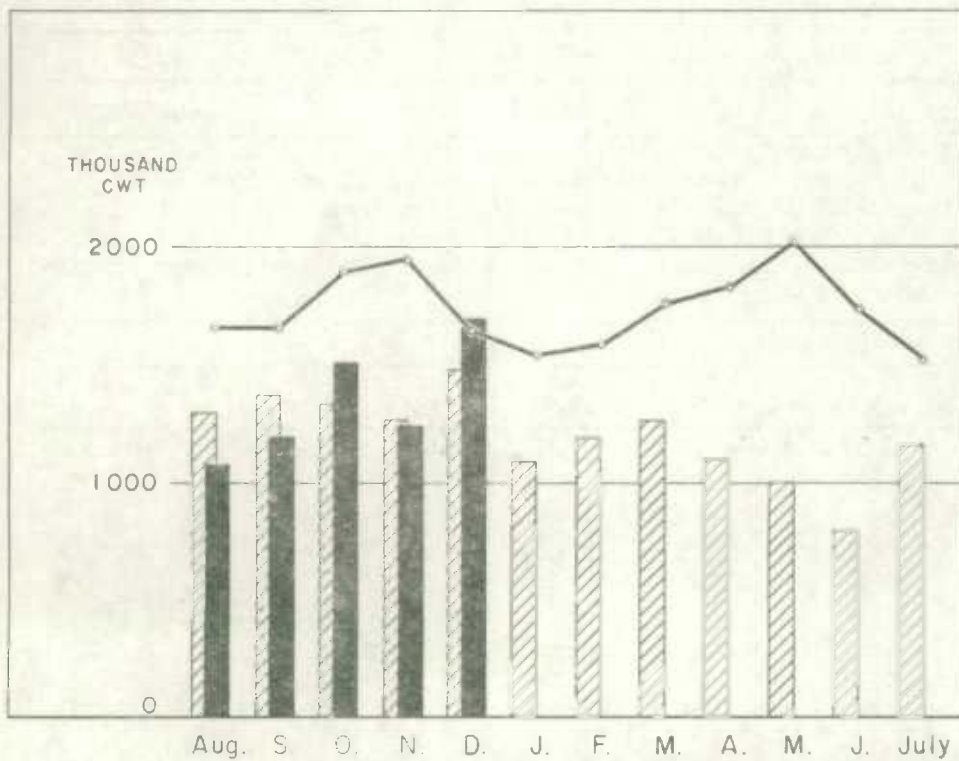
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WHEAT FLOUR PRODUCTION



CUMULATIVE
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WHEAT FLOUR EXPORTS



10 year average 1947-48 - 1956-57
 1956-57
 1957-58