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GRAIN MILLING STATISTICS

The output of wheat flour in Canada during December 1958, amounted to 3,431,000 hundredweight, representing an increase of 10 per cent over the December 1957 output of 3,129,000 hundredweight and 1 per cent above the ten-year (1949-1958) average production for the month of December of 3,383,000 hundredweight, but 11 per cent less than the November 1958 output of 3,864,000 hundredweight. The preliminary total of wheat flour produced during the calendar year 1958 was 41,188,000 hundredweight surpassing by 9 per cent the revised 1957 total of 37,639,000 hundredweight. Ontario winter wheat flour included in the quantity for the month under review amounted to 186,000 hundredweight compared with 198,000 hundredweight in December 1957. Production of wheat flour during the first five months (August-December) of the 1958-59 crop year at 17,349,000 hundredweight, was 2 per cent greater than the 16,980,000 hundredweight produced during the same period of the 1957-58 crop year.

Mill operations during December 1958 averaged 81.3 per cent of capacity when computed on a 25-day working period in the month and a daily capacity of 169,000 hundredweight. Mills reporting for November 1958 operated at 89.1 per cent of their combined rated capacity for 24 days.

Wheat milled for flour in December 1958 amounted to 7,799,000 bushels, exceeding by 11 per cent the 7,052,000 bushels milled in December a year ago. Ontario winter wheat included in the current month's milled wheat amounted to 440,000 bushels compared with 466,000 bushels of this type in December 1957. Total wheat milled for flour during the August-December period of the 1958-59 crop year at 39,374,000 bushels, exceeded by 3 per cent the 38,277,000 bushels milled in the same period of the past crop year.

Stocks of wheat for flour in mill bins at the close of December 1958 amounted to 3,033,000 bushels.

According to preliminary Customs returns wheat flour exports during December 1958 amounted to 1,426,000 hundredweight. Total shipments during the first five months of the 1958-59 crop year amounted to 6,611,000 hundredweight compared with 6,840,000 hundredweight (adjusted to remove the effect of time lag in reporting returns) in the same period of the preceding crop year.

Millfeed production for December 1958 amounted to 58,000 tons, 10 per cent greater than the 52,000 tons produced in the same month last year. The breakdown was as follows: bran 25,000 (23,000) tons, shorts 25,000 (22,000) tons and middlings 7,000 (7,000) tons. Total millfeed production during the first five months of the crop year 1958-59 amounted to 292,000 tons compared with 286,000 tons during the same period of 1957-58.

WHEAT

The following table shows the amount of wheat milled in Canadian mills for the month of December 1958, according to divisions, with comparative totals for the same month last year and stocks on hand at December 31, 1958:

WHEAT	QUANTITIES MILLED				STOCKS ON HAND IN MILL BINS		
	Eastern Division	Western Division	Totals Dec./58	Totals Dec./57	Eastern Division	Western Division	Totals Dec. 31/58
			- '000 bushels -				
Manitoba Spring	3,328	3,841	7,169	6,424	1,446	97	1,544
Ontario Winter	440	-	440	466	1,259	-	1,259
Durum	135	14	149	101	160	43	203
All Other	-	42	42	61	28	-	28
Totals, Wheat	3,903	3,896	7,799	7,052	2,893	140	3,033

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

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MILLINGS

The following table shows the production from wheat and coarse grains milled in Canadian mills for the month of December 1958, according to divisions, with comparative totals for the same month last year and stocks on hand at December 31, 1958:

Product	Unit of Measure	PRODUCTION FROM MILLINGS			Stocks on Hand	
		Eastern Division	Western Division	Totals Dec./58	Totals Dec./57	Dec. 31, 1958
'000 cwt.						
<u>WHEAT FLOUR</u>						
Spring No. 1 or Top Patent, including Semolina	"	238	455	694	573	369
Spring No. 2 Patent	"	505	494	999	916	193
Spring No. 3 Patent (Strong Bakers or Export Patent) ^{1/}	"	560	575	1,135	1,097	306
Whole Wheat and Graham Flour	"	15	21	36	35	17
Ontario Winter Wheat Flour	"	186	-	186	198	40
Durum Semolina and Flour	"	61	6	66	45	24
Lower Grades of Flour	"	121	91	212	147	89
All Other Flour	"	36	66	102	119	38
Totals, Flour	"	1,723	1,708	3,431	3,129	1,076

'000 lbs.

SUNDRY CEREALS

Oatmeal	"			1,383	2,658	258
Rolled Oats	"			5,965	4,386	4,704
Barley, Pot and Pearl	"			208	408	297
Rye, Flour and Meal	"			1,375	1,164	650

'000 tons

MILLFEEDS

Bran	"	12	13	25	23	1
Shorts	"	14	12	25	22	2
Middlings	"	4	4	7	7	2
Totals	"	29	28	58	52	5

^{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 1958-59, with comparative figures for 1957-58:

Month	Wheat for Flour	Oats	Barley	Rye
August 1958	6,970	386	13	41
September	7,245	574	19	42
October	8,569	610	25	34
November	8,790	499	14	40
December	7,799	403	9	35
Totals	39,374	2,473	79	192
Totals Last Year	38,277	2,503	96	175

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 1958-59, including percentage of operation and wheat flour exports, with comparative figures for 1957-58:

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 1958	68.8	3,058	415	6,530	52	1,261
September	71.2	3,205	817	9,684	54	1,003
October	80.8	3,791	836	10,516	63	1,501
November	89.1	3,864	1,471	7,673	66	1,420
December	81.3	3,431	1,383	5,965	58	1,426
Totals	-	17,349	4,922	40,369	292	6,611
Totals Last Year	-	16,980	7,890	37,430	286	6,840

^{1/} Data for the month of December 1958 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.

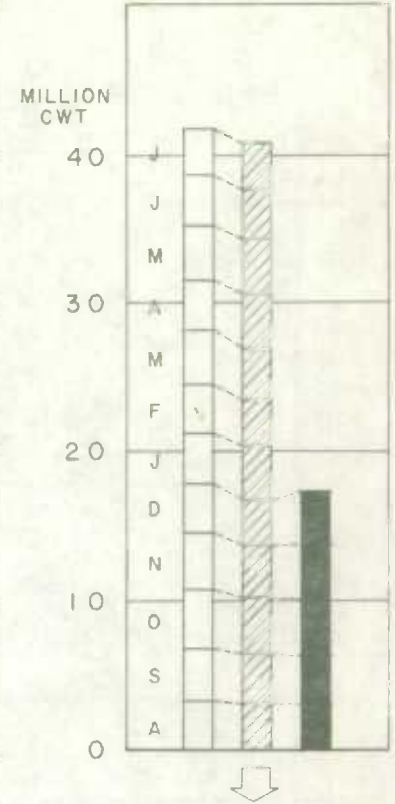
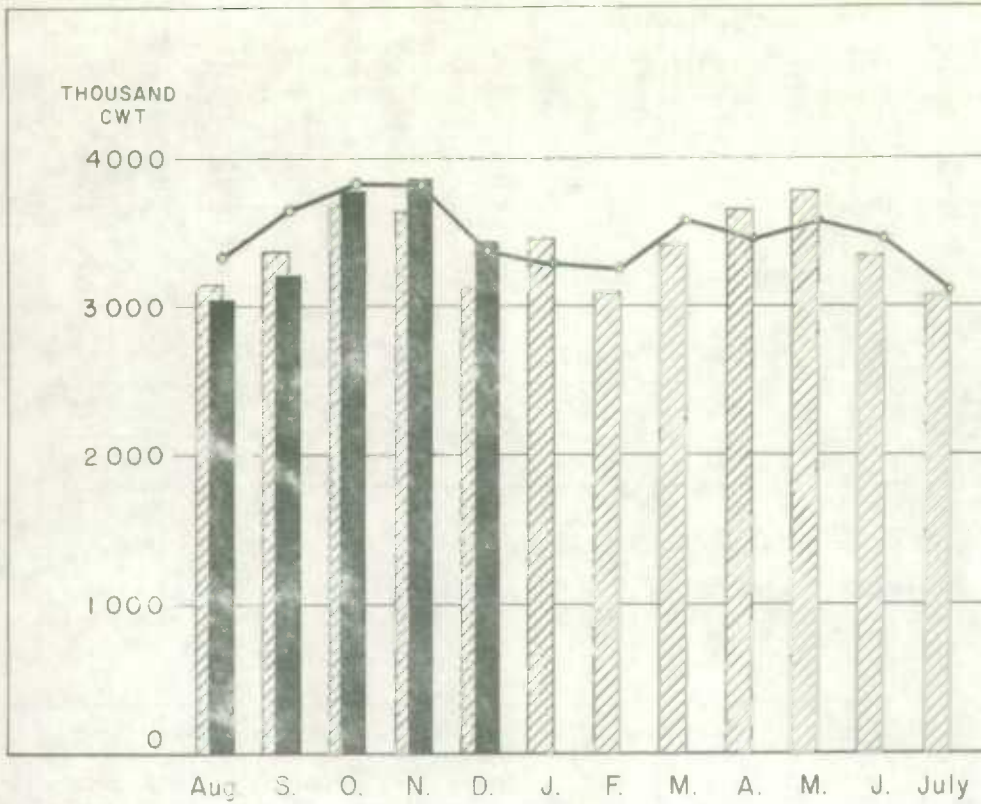
The following table gives the quantity of wheat ground and wheat flour produced by divisions for the calendar year 1958 (preliminary):

Month	WHEAT GROUND			WHEAT FLOUR PRODUCED		
	Eastern Division	Western Division	Totals Canada	Eastern Division	Western Division	Totals Canada
	- '000 bushels -			- '000 hundredweight -		
January	3,912	3,928	7,840	1,726	1,736	3,463
February	3,548	3,455	7,003	1,568	1,530	3,098
March	3,844	3,895	7,739	1,699	1,715	3,414
April	4,137	4,138	8,275	1,833	1,821	3,654
May	4,353	4,241	8,594	1,918	1,863	3,781
June	4,030	3,542	7,572	1,776	1,573	3,349
July	3,513	3,476	6,989	1,546	1,534	3,080
August	3,561	3,409	6,970	1,563	1,495	3,058
September	3,725	3,520	7,245	1,641	1,564	3,205
October	4,135	4,434	8,569	1,826	1,965	3,791
November	4,471	4,319	8,790	1,966	1,898	3,864
December	3,903	3,896	7,799	1,723	1,708	3,431
Totals, 1958	47,130	46,255	93,385	20,785	20,403	41,188
Totals, 1957 (Revised)	43,356	41,509	84,865	19,167	18,472	37,639



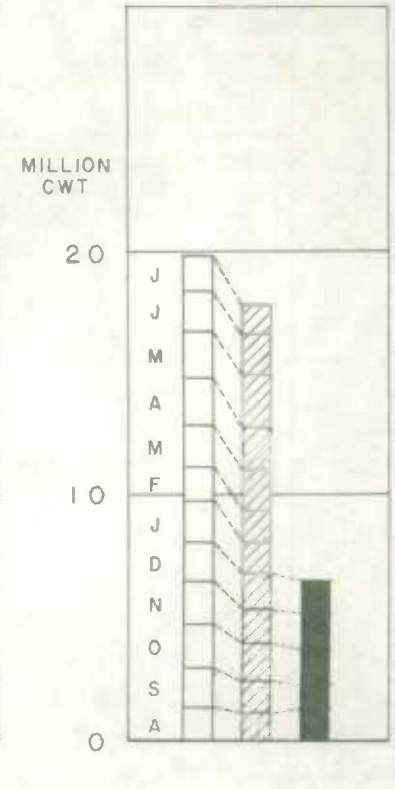
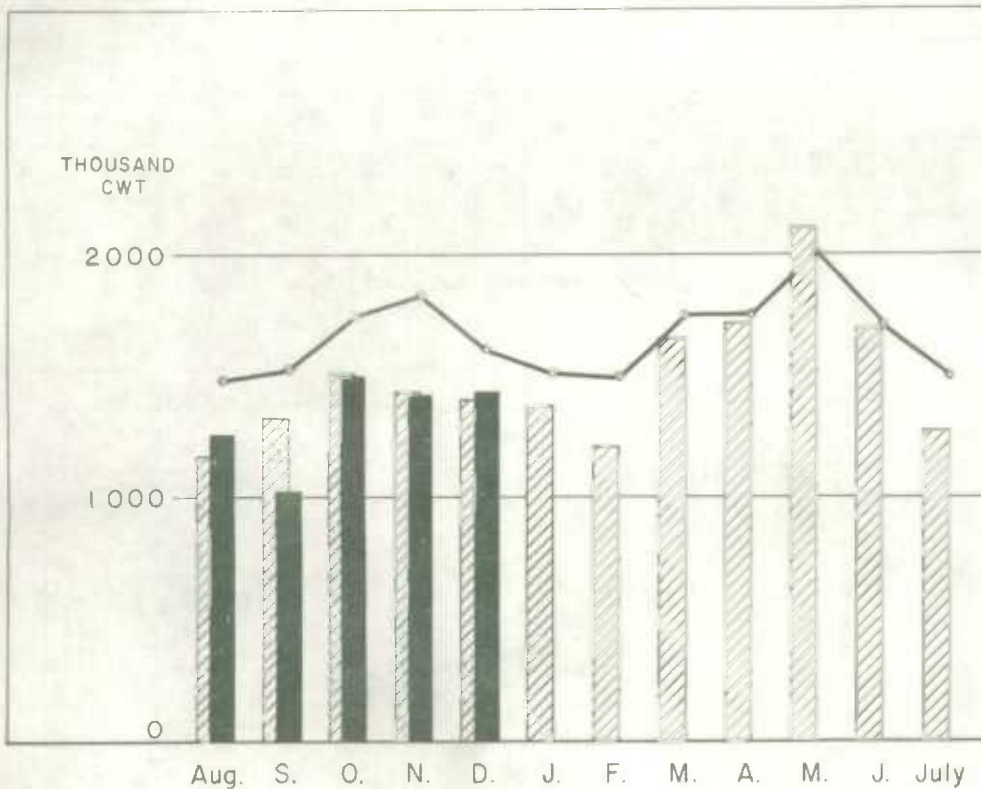
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WHEAT FLOUR PRODUCTION



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COMPARISON

WHEAT FLOUR EXPORTS



10 year average 1948-1949-1957-58
 1957-1958
 1958-1959