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GRAIN MILLING STATISTICS

The output of wheat flour in Canada during December 1961 amounted to 3,085,000 hundredweight, representing a decrease of 16 per cent from the November 1961 output of 3,668,000 hundredweight, 2 per cent lower than the December 1960 total of 3,144,000 hundredweight and 7 per cent below the ten-year (1951-60) average production for the month of December of 3,319,000 hundredweight. The preliminary total of wheat flour produced during the calendar year 1961 was 38,759,000 hundredweight compared with the revised 1960 total of 40,724,000 hundredweight. Ontario winter wheat flour included in the quantity for the month under review amounted to 197,000 hundredweight as against 186,000 hundredweight in December 1960. Production of wheat flour during the first five months (August-December) of the 1961-62 crop year amounted to 16,655,000 hundredweight, compared with 17,811,000 hundredweight produced during the same period of the 1960-61 crop year. Mill operations during December 1961 averaged 83.0 per cent of capacity when computed on a 24-day working period in the month and a daily capacity of 155,000 hundredweight. Mills reporting for November operated at 93.8 per cent of their combined rated capacity for 25 days.

Wheat milled for flour in December 1961 amounted to 6,891,000 bushels, indicating a decrease of 16 per cent from the 8,196,000 bushels milled in November 1961 and 2 per cent less than the 7,065,000 bushels milled in December a year ago. Ontario winter wheat included in the current month's milled wheat amounted to 502,000 bushels compared with 438,000 bushels of this type in December 1960. Total wheat milled for flour during the first five months of the crop year 1961-62 amounted to 37,285,000 bushels as against 40,252,000 bushels milled in the same period of 1960-61. Millfeed production for December 1961 amounted to 50,000 tons, 5 per cent less than the 53,000 tons produced in the same month last year. The breakdown was as follows with last year's comparable figures in brackets: bran 21,000 (24,000) tons, shorts 25,000 (24,000) tons and middlings 4,000 (6,000) tons.

According to preliminary Customs returns wheat flour exports for the month of October 1961 amounted to 1,171,000 hundredweight, representing an increase of 5 per cent over the September figure of 1,113,000 hundredweight but 28 per cent below the adjusted October 1960 exports of 1,620,000 hundredweight. Total shipments during the first three months of the 1961-62 crop year amounted to 3,823,000 hundredweight compared with 4,038,000 hundredweight (adjusted to remove the effect of time lag in reporting returns) in the same period of the preceding crop year.

NOTE: Due to the introduction of a new commodity classification effective January 1, 1961, official wheat flour export data for November and December included in this report represents an unofficial estimate.

WHEAT

The following table shows the amount of wheat milled in Canadian mills for the month of December 1961, according to divisions, with comparative totals for the same month last year and stocks on hand December 31, 1961:

Wheat	QUANTITIES MILLED				STOCKS ON HAND IN MILL BINS		
	Eastern Division	Western Division	Totals Dec/61	Totals Dec/60	Eastern Division	Western Division	Totals Dec. 31/61
- '000 bushels -							
Manitoba Spring	2,737	3,480	6,217	6,321	983	111	1,094
Ontario Winter	502	-	502	438	1,107	-	1,107
Durum	B R E A K D O W N		111	250	B R E A K D O W N		279
All Other	N O T		60	56	N O T		
Totals, Wheat	A V A I L A B L E		6,891	7,065	A V A I L A B L E		

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 1961, according to divisions, with comparative totals for the same month last year and stocks on hand at December 31, 1961:

Product	PRODUCTION FROM MILLINGS				Stocks on hand December 31, 1961
	Eastern Division	Western Division	Totals Dec/61	Totals Dec/60	
<u>WHEAT FLOUR</u> - '000 cwt. -					
Spring No. 1 or Top Patent including Semolina	211	438	649	655	
Spring No. 2 Patent	568	486	1,054	1,030	
Spring No. 3 Patent (Strong Bakers or Export Patent) 1/	346	433	780	820	SEE
Whole Wheat and Graham Flour	10	34	44	45	
Ontario Winter Wheat Flour	197	-	197	186	TABLE
Lower Grades of Flour	78	126	204	217	
All Other Wheat Flour	33	71	104	84	BELOW
Durum Semolina and Flour	B R E A K D O W N		52	108	
Totals, Flour	N O T A V A I L A B L E		3,085	3,144	
<u>SUNDRY CEREALS</u> - '000 lbs. -					
Oatmeal	B R E A K D O W N		774	1,247	638
Rolled Oats	N O T		6,242	5,466	3,817
Barley, Pot and Pearl	A V A I L A B L E		197	179	338
Rye, Flour and Meal			1,206	1,527	422
<u>MILLFEEDS</u> - '000 tons -					
Bran	10	11	21	24	3
Shorts	12	12	25	24	3
Middlings	2	2	4	6	1
Totals	25	25	50	53	6

1/ Including flour of a higher extraction rate for export to Britain.

MILL OWNED FLOUR STOCKS

Grade of Flour	EASTERN DIVISION			WESTERN DIVISION			Total East and West
	At Mills	At Offsite Positions, In Transit and on Consignment East of the Lakehead	Total	At Mills	At Offsite Positions In Transit and on Consignment Lakehead and West	Total	
- '000 cwt. -							
Spring No. 1 or Top Patent including Semolina	60	415	476	85	175	260	735
Spring No. 2 Patent	111	206	317	74	65	138	455
Spring No. 3 Patent (Strong Bakers or Export Patent)	34	268	302	57	94	152	453
Whole Wheat and Graham Flour	10	14	24	14	8	22	46
Ontario Winter Wheat Flour	53	30	83	-	-	-	83
Lower Grades of Flour	29	34	62	20	19	39	101
All Other Wheat Flour	8	13	21	12	60	72	93
Durum Semolina and Flour	15	10	26	B R E A K D O W N			29
Totals	321	990	1,311	N O T A V A I L A B L E			1,997

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 1961-62, with comparative figures for 1960-61:

Month	Wheat for Flour	Oats	Barley	Rye
- '000 bushels -				
August 1961	7,605	552	15	38
September	7,039	532	18	32
October	7,554	564	22	35
November	8,196	385	16	41
December	6,891	392	8	30
Totals	37,285	2,425	79	176
Totals, Last Year	40,252	2,253	94	195

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 1961-62, including percentage of operation and wheat flour exports, with comparative figures for 1960-61:

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 1961	80.7	3,386	2,492	7,993	56	1,539
September	80.5	3,125	1,833	8,373	53	1,113
October	86.6	3,391	1,918	8,580	56	1,171
November	93.8	3,668	812	6,538	60	1,300 2/
December	83.0	3,085	774	6,242	50	1,300 2/
Totals	-	16,655	7,828	37,727	276	6,423
Totals Last Year	-	17,811	6,008	36,777	303	7,307

1/ The figures for the comparable period last year has been adjusted to remove the effect of time lag in reporting returns.

2/ Estimate, see text for explanation of these figures.

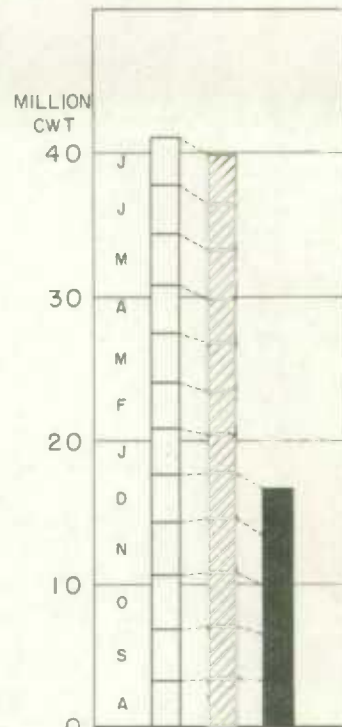
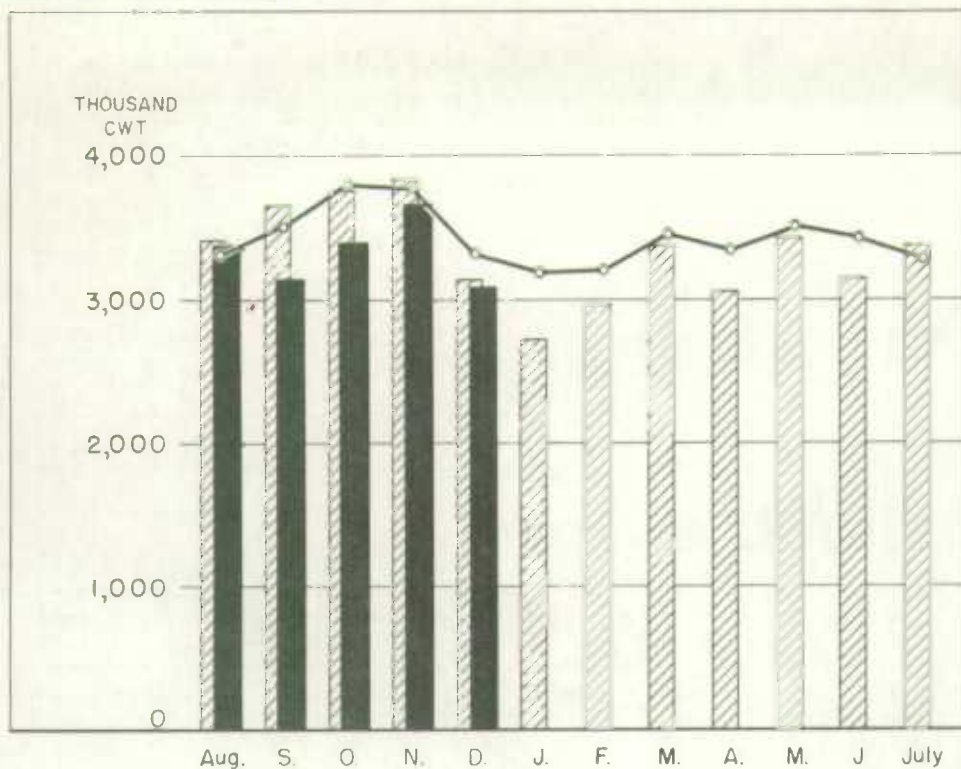
The following table gives the quantity of wheat ground and wheat flour produced by divisions for the calendar year 1961 (preliminary):

Month	WHEAT GROUND			WHEAT FLOUR PRODUCED		
	Eastern Division	Western Division	Totals Canada	Eastern Division	Western Division	Totals Canada
- '000 bushels -				- '000 hundredweight -		
January	2,997	3,093	6,090	1,340	1,379	2,719
February	3,115	3,538	6,653	1,385	1,582	2,968
March	3,433	4,151	7,584	1,532	1,855	3,387
April	3,131	3,733	6,863	1,395	1,671	3,066
May	3,659	4,014	7,673	1,625	1,801	3,426
June	3,394	3,662	7,056	1,509	1,640	3,149
July	3,477	4,084	7,561	1,547	1,842	3,389
August	3,653	3,952	7,605	1,614	1,772	3,386
September	3,643	3,396	7,039	1,596	1,529	3,125
October	3,635	3,919	7,554	1,624	1,767	3,391
November	3,764	4,432	8,196	1,672	1,996	3,668
December	3,345	3,545	6,891	1,488	1,596	3,085
Totals 1961	41,246	45,519	86,764	18,328	20,430	38,759
Totals 1960 (Revised)	45,296	46,780	92,077	20,063	20,661	40,724



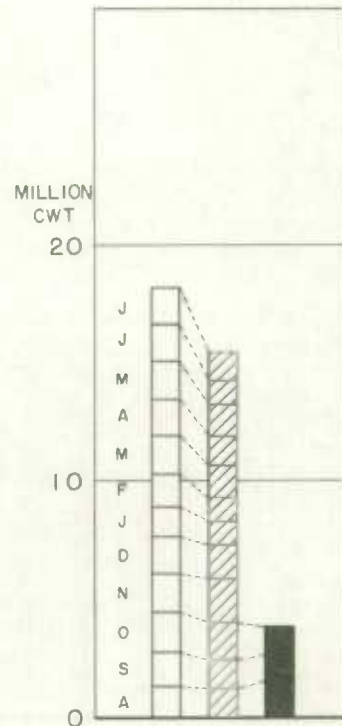
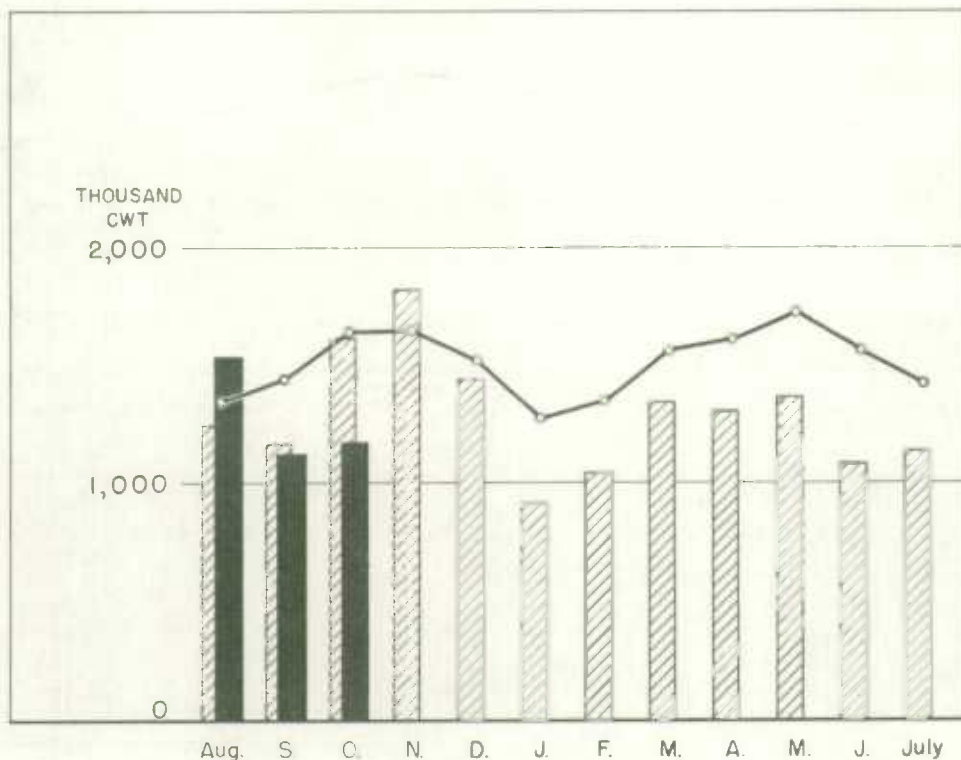
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WHEAT FLOUR PRODUCTION



CUMULATIVE COMPARISON

WHEAT FLOUR EXPORTS



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10 year average 1951-52-1960-61

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