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GRAIN MILLING STATISTICS

The output of wheat flour in Canada for September 1961 amounted to 3,125,000 hundred-weight, representing a decrease of 8 per cent from the August 1961 output of 3,386,000 hundredweight, 14 per cent less than the September 1960 total of 3,654,000 hundredweight and 11 per cent lower than the ten-year (1951-60) average production for the month of September of 3,515,000 hundredweight. Ontario winter wheat flour included in the quantity for the month under review amounted to 233,000 hundredweight as against 260,000 hundredweight in September 1960. Production of wheat flour during the first two months of the current crop year amounted to 6,511,000 hundredweight, compared with 7,072,000 hundredweight produced during the same period of the 1960-61 crop year.

Mill operations during September 1961 averaged 80.5 per cent of capacity when computed on a 25-day working period in the month and a daily capacity of 155,000 hundredweight. Mills reporting for August operated at 80.7 per cent of their combined rated capacity for 27 days.

Wheat milled for flour in September 1961 amounted to 7,039,000 bushels, compared with 8,268,000 bushels milled in September a year ago. Ontario winter wheat included in the current month's milled wheat amounted to 570,000 bushels compared with 613,000 bushels of this type in September 1960. Total wheat milled for flour during the first two months of the crop year 1961-62 amounted to 14,644,000 bushels as against the 16,063,000 bushels milled in the same period of 1960-61.

Millfeed production for September 1961 amounted to 53,000 tons, 15 per cent below the 62,000 tons produced in the same month last year. The breakdown was as follows with last year's comparable figures in brackets: bran 21,000 (26,000) tons, shorts 26,000 (28,000) tons and middlings 6,000 (8,000) tons.

According to preliminary Customs returns wheat flour exports during July 1961 amounted to 1,170,000 hundredweight, representing an increase of 2 per cent above the June total of 1,146,000 hundredweight, but 8 per cent less than the adjusted July 1960 figure of 1,271,000 hundredweight. Total shipments for the crop year 1960-61 amounted to 15,606,000 hundredweight, compared with 16,074,000 hundredweight (adjusted to remove the effect of time lag in reporting returns) during 1959-60.

NOTE:

Due to the introduction of a new commodity classification effective January 1, 1961, official wheat flour export data for August and September included in this report represent an unofficial estimate.

WHEAT

The following table shows the amount of wheat milled in Canadian mills for the month of September 1961, according to divisions, with comparative totals for the same month last year and stocks on hand September 30, 1961:

	QUANTITIES MILLED				STOCKS ON HAND IN MILL BINS		
WHEAT	Eastern Division	Western Division	Totals Sept/61	Totals Sept/60	Eastern Division	Western Division	Totals Sept. 30/61
				- '000 bu	shels -		
Manitoba Spring	2,887	3,320	6,207	7,329	854	114	968
Ontario Winter	570	des	570	613	1,361		1,361
All Other	21	57	78	54	6	/	6
Durum	BREA	KDOWN	184	273_	BREA	KDOWN	155
Totals, Wheat		O T L A B L E	7,039	8,268		O T L A B L E	2,490

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

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MILL INGS

The following table shows the production from wheat and coarse grains milled in Canadian mills for the month of September 1961, according to divisions, with comparative totals for the same month last year and stocks on hand at September 30, 1961:

	PR	Stocks				
Product	Eastern	Western Division	Totals Sept/61	Totals	on hand	
	Division			Sept/60	Sept. 30, 196	
			AT FLOUR			
		- 100	00 cwt			
Spring No. I or Top Patent						
including Semolina	195	421	616	584		
Spring No. 2 Patent	552	493	1,045	1,126		
Spring No. 3 Patent (Strong					SEE	
Bakers or Export Patent) 1/	381	396	777	999		
Whole Wheat and Graham Flour	11	36	47	48		
Ontario Winter Wheat Flour	233	-	233	260	TABLE	
Lower Grades of Flour	130	97	227	300		
All Other Wheat Flour	25	78	103	224		
Durum Semolina and Flour		KDOWN	76	113	BELOW	
Totals, Flour		O T L A B L E	3,125	3,654		
		- '00	0 lbs			
Oatmeal	BREA	KDOWN	1,833	970	565	
Rolled Oats			8,373	8,730	3,255	
Barley, Pot and Pearl	N	OT	382	324	412	
Rye, Flour and Meal	AVAI	LABLE	1,218	1,467	372	
		MILL	FEEDS			
		- '000	tons -			
Bran	11	11	21	26	2	
Shorts	14	12	26	28	2	
Middlings	4	2	6	8	T.	
Totals	28	24	53	62	6	

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

MILL OWNED FLOUR STOCKS

	E	ASTERN DIVISI	ON		WESTERN DIVISION			
Grade of Flour	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	Tota East and West	
			- '000	cwt				
Spring No. I or Top Patent								
including Semolina	53	292	345	97	232	329	674	
Spring No. 2 Patent	88	218	306	89	65	154	460	
Spring No. 3 Patent (Strong								
Bakers or Export Patent)	34	228	262	46	116	163	424	
Whole Wheat and Graham Flour	12	12	24	13	7	20	44	
Ontario Winter Wheat Flour	60	26	86	mile.	-	-	86	
Lower Grades of Flour	34	26	60	18	21	39	99	
All Other Wheat Flour	7	37	43	20	44	64	108	
Durum Semolina and Flour	24	1	25	5	Here the second	5	30	
Totals	312	841	1,153	288	485	773	1,926	

SUMMARY OF MILLINGS

The following table summarizes the milling of wheat and coarse grains for human consumption for the first two 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		
Totals	14,644	1,084	33	69		
Totals, Last Year	16,063	962	38	76		

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 two months of the crop year 1961-62, including percentage of operations and wheat flour exports, with comparative figures for 1960-61:

WHEAT		AT FLOUR	Oatmeal	Rolled Oats	Millfeeds	Wheat Flour 1/	
Month % of Operati	% of Operation	Quantity '000 cwt.	'000 pounds	1000 pounds	'000 tons	Exports 000 cwt.	
August 1961	80.7	3,386	2,492	7,993	56	1,300 2/	
September	80.5	3,125	1,833	8,373	53	1,300 2/	
Totals		6,511	4,325	16,366	109	2,600	
Totals Last Year	-	7,072	2,069	15,794	122	2,418	

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

1960-61:

The following table shows the production of wheat flour, for the crop years 1956-57 to

Crop Year	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59	1959-60	1960-61
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August	3,449	3,152	3,057	3,308	3,418
September	3,194	3,373	3,206	3,311	3,654
October	3,542	3,688	3,792	3,818	3,756
November	3,637	3,638	3,860	3,756	3,838
December	3,142	3,129	3,430	3,238	3,144
January	3,089	3,463	3,263	2,980	2,719
February	2,975	3,098	3,140	3,231	2,968
March	2,983	3,414	3,032	3,462	3,387
April	2,858	3,654	3,110	3,142	3,066
May	2,968	3,781	3,239	3,253	3,426
June	2,765	3,349	3,387	3,648	3,149
July	3,021	3,080	3,310	3,198	3,389
Totals	37,623	40,820	39,826	40,345	39,915

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

WHEAT FLOUR PRODUCTION

