

Wheat crop of the world. 1889. 356. The total estimated wheat production of the world in 1889, as shown by a subsequent table, is placed at 2,041,075,627 bushels, being about 4,000,000 bushels less than in 1888.

Wheat crop of the United States, 1889. 357. The wheat crop in the United States in 1889 was 74,692,000 bushels in excess of that of 1888, while the crops in the other four principal wheat-exporting countries were in the aggregate 107,929,505 bushels less than in that year.

Average wheat yield in principal countries. 358. The average yield of wheat per acre in some of the principal wheat-producing countries is given below :—

COUNTRY.	Year.	Yield per acre.	COUNTRY.	Year.	Yield per acre.
		Bush.			Bush.
Great Britain.....	1889	29·89	New South Wales...	1889 Mean of 16 years.	13·93
Austria.....	1887	17·65	Victoria.....		11·35
Hungary.....	1888	19·24	South Australia....		7·78
France.....	1888	18·18	Queensland.....		10·56
Germany.....	1888	19·47	Western Australia...		11·71
Russia.....	1887	8·96	Tasmania.....		18·31
India.....	1888	9·21	New Zealand.....	26·04	
United States.....	1888	10·80	Canada*.....	1883-87	18·78

\* Ontario and Manitoba.

Share of principal countries in import of wheat into the United Kingdom, 1871-1889. 359. The United Kingdom is the largest importer of wheat, and the British demand has a most important effect on the price of wheat almost all over the world. The following table, taken from the report on the Foreign Commerce of the United States, 1889, shows the share of the principal countries in the import of wheat into the United Kingdom, during the years 1871 to 1888, inclusive :—