

Table 13 gives for oats, barley and flaxseed the stocks in Canada on Mar. 31, 1927, as compared with the corresponding date of the previous year.

13.—Stocks in Canada of Oats, Barley and Flaxseed, March 31, 1926 and 1927.

Grain in	Oats.		Barley.		Flaxseed.	
	1926.	1927.	1926.	1927.	1926.	1927.
	bush.	bush.	bush.	bush.	bush.	bush.
Elevators.....	20,430,077	13,320,819	13,881,288	10,365,275	3,562,924	3,421,531
Flour-mills.....	700,000	750,000	70,000	50,000	-	-
Transit by rail.....	2,230,981	1,951,478	673,620	1,784,083	164,353	274,414
Farmers' hands.....	199,016,000	130,065,000	29,351,000	22,108,000	1,064,100	670,000
Totals.....	222,377,058	146,087,297	43,975,908	34,307,358	4,791,377	4,365,945

Distribution of Wheat and Oat Crops.—The distribution of the wheat crop of Canada for each of the two years ended July 31, 1926 and 1927, is calculated in Table 14.

14.—Distribution of the Canadian Wheat Crops of 1925 and 1926.

NOTE.—Flour is expressed as wheat on the basis of one barrel of flour, weighing 196 lb., being equal to 4 bushels of wheat. For similar calculations extending over a series of years both for wheat and oats, see the Year Book 1920, pp. 263-266, and the April issues of the Monthly Bulletin of Agricultural Statistics for each of the years 1920 to 1927.

Items.	Crop year ended July 31, 1926.	Crop year ended July 31, 1927.	Items.	Crop year ended July 31, 1926.	Crop year ended July 31, 1927.
	000 bush.	000 bush.		000 bush.	000 bush.
Carry-over Aug. 1, 1925; Aug. 1, 1926.....	25,454	34,418	Exports as grain.....	275,557	251,266
Gross production.....	411,376	409,811	Exports as flour.....	49,035	41,615
Loss in cleaning.....	6,294	19,117	Total exports.....	324,592	292,881
Grain not merchantable.....	11,213	12,294	Retained for seed.....	39,840	39,088
Net production.....	393,869	378,400	Milled for food.....	42,256	39,282
Imports.....	379	407	Carried over July 31, 1926- 27.....	34,318	47,639
Available for distribution..	419,702	413,625	Balance fed on farms or otherwise disposed of..	-21,804	-5,565

Table 15 presents similar data in respect of oats. The bulk of this crop is consumed as food for live stock, and the table shows approximately how the remaining portion of the crop is disposed of, including the quantities exported as grain, oatmeal and rolled oats, the quantity retained for seed and the quantity milled for home consumption, representing chiefly oatmeal and rolled oats used for human food. The carry-over represents grain in the elevators, in farmers' hands, in transit, etc., and the balance is the quantity consumed in Canada for feeding to live stock, the amount being estimated at 424,550,000 bushels in 1924, 303,262,000 bushels in 1925, 394,997,000 bushels in 1926 and 308,254,000 bushels in 1927.