

5.—Canadian Grain Handled at Eastern Elevators, Crop Years Ended July 31, 1939-48

NOTE.—Figures for the crop years 1922-29 are given at p. 626 of the 1931 Year Book; for 1930-36 at p. 512 of the 1943-44 edition; and for 1937-38 at p. 816 of the 1947 edition.

Item and Crop Year	Wheat	Oats	Barley	Rye	Flaxseed	Total Grain
	bu.	bu.	bu.	bu.	bu.	bu.
Receipts—						
1939.....	224,541,409	16,024,099	24,845,946	891,751	547,082	266,850,287
1940.....	240,412,659	15,204,169	14,340,317	2,163,482	666,436	272,787,063
1941.....	294,736,497	7,958,781	8,937,925	906,154	2,206,498	314,745,855
1942.....	282,400,393	5,468,716	7,240,814	785,929	1,912,528	297,808,380
1943.....	219,652,250	9,785,401	5,278,318	458,978	1,244,032	236,418,979
1944.....	254,389,628	18,838,600	20,806,305	739,090	752,512	295,526,125
1945.....	365,444,773	44,726,587	27,047,192	2,632,303	1,869,128	441,719,983
1946.....	318,075,743	70,013,103	30,789,084	1,938,882	3,669,449	424,486,261
1947.....	255,286,775	63,764,776	22,719,533	5,663,823	1,302,022	348,736,930
1948.....	196,718,272	38,842,320	27,560,650	17,543,967	6,234,436	286,899,645
Shipments—						
1939.....	188,113,064	13,763,219	24,626,489	1,045,658	547,083	228,095,513
1940.....	221,558,877	17,360,438	14,784,608	1,927,316	613,212	256,244,451
1941.....	289,226,546	8,319,274	9,358,776	1,048,997	2,212,699	310,166,292
1942.....	282,022,653	5,377,665	5,658,168	777,623	1,873,895	295,710,004
1943.....	241,277,883	9,214,194	5,348,513	556,151	1,223,582	257,620,323
1944.....	248,581,173	17,221,335	17,164,441	829,960	628,979	284,425,888
1945.....	385,086,106	39,039,333	30,943,479	2,315,638	1,369,573	458,754,129
1946.....	338,462,187	70,460,215	28,472,958	2,432,487	3,727,565	443,555,412
1947.....	251,083,577	68,714,833	24,378,351	5,612,148	1,717,100	351,456,009
1948.....	206,061,315	39,805,551	26,847,608	17,647,467	5,551,788	295,913,629

Wheat Flour.—The steadily rising flour production in Canadian mills over the last few years came to a halt in 1947-48 with an output of only 24,200,000 bbl., a decline of 4,400,000 bbl. from the all-time high of the previous crop year. Wheat milled for the production of this flour amounted to 109,800,000 bu., a decrease of 18,000,000 bu. from the record year of 1946-47. Exports of wheat flour (based on customs returns) for the crop year under survey amounted to 13,700,000 bbl., equivalent to 57 p.c. of the same year's production but a decrease from the 1946-47 export by 4,000,000 bbl.

Milling capacity for the last crop year averaged 81 p.c., a decrease of 20 p.c. from that of the previous year.

Section 2.—Live-Stock Marketings*

Commercial marketing of cattle fell off considerably in 1947. Part of the decrease was due to reduced deliveries to inspected plants with a large-scale packing-house workers' strike in September and October of that year. A new high level of cattle marketings was reached in 1948. A consistently high level of prices and the removal of restrictions on the export of slaughter and feeding cattle and dressed meats to the United States (effective Aug. 16, 1948) contributed to a record movement of cattle off farms. Hog marketings, about 300,000 higher in 1947 than in 1946, showed little change through 1948. Commercial marketings of sheep and lambs declined sharply during each of the last three years and the total primary movement during 1948 was only about two-thirds of that in 1945.

* For more detailed information on this subject, see "Live Stock and Animal Products Statistics", published annually by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics; and the "Annual Market Review", published by the Live Stock Branch of the Federal Department of Agriculture. Statistics of live stock and poultry are given at pp. 429-435 of this volume.