

*Wheat Flour.*—Production of wheat flour in the crop year 1962-63 amounted to 35,505,000 cwt., about 10 p.c. less than in the previous crop year. Similarly, wheat milled for flour at 78,789,000 bu. was 11 p.c. less than during 1961-62. Of the latter, about 70,065,000 bu. were Western Canadian spring wheat (other than Durum) and the remainder consisted of Ontario winter wheat, Durum and 'other'. Based on a daily operating potential of some 169,000 cwt., utilization of milling capacity averaged 70.0 p.c. in 1962-63 compared with 81.5 p.c. in the preceding year. Exports of wheat flour during the 1962-63 crop year amounted to 11,854,000 cwt., 15 p.c. lower than in 1961-62.

**23.—Wheat Milled for Flour, and Production and Exports of Wheat Flour, Five-Year Averages 1940-60 and Crop Years Ended July 31, 1961-63**

Crop Year (Aug. 1—July 31)	Wheat Milled for Flour	Wheat Flour Production	Wheat Flour Exports	
			Amount	P.C. of Production
	'000 bu.	cwt.	cwt.	
Av. 1940-41 — 1944-45 .....	99,705	43,908,245	23,699,546	54.0
Av. 1945-46 — 1949-50 .....	107,330	47,011,540	25,819,721	54.9
Av. 1950-51 — 1954-55 .....	100,446	43,847,894	21,812,041	49.7
Av. 1955-56 — 1959-60 .....	90,148	39,752,589	16,349,155	41.1
1960-61 .....	89,731	39,914,644	15,513,836	38.9
1961-62 .....	88,241	39,539,651	13,892,676	35.1
1962-63 .....	78,789	35,505,220	11,854,458	33.4

**Subsection 2.—Livestock Marketings\***

The number of cattle marketed and graded at stockyards and packing plants was about 3 p.c. higher in 1963 than in 1962. However, with reduced exports of live cattle, the total commercial movement as reported by the Canada Department of Agriculture was down slightly. The number of calves marketed decreased about 7 p.c., sheep 10 p.c. and hog carcasses graded at approved and inspected plants more than 1 p.c. from the 1962 volume. A moderate increase in the shipment of cattle, calves, sheep and lambs back to farms from stockyards and plants reflected increased feedlot activity. With a higher percentage of cattle being fattened on grain, the average weight of carcasses in inspected slaughter increased to 542.7 lb. from 529.5 lb. in 1962 and was the highest on record. There was also an appreciable increase in the percentage of beef carcasses in the top-quality grades. To a lesser extent, an increase in quality of marketings was also reflected in lamb and hog carcass gradings.

\* More detailed information is available from DBS annual report *Livestock and Animal Products Statistics* (Catalogue No. 23-203), and the Department of Agriculture publication *Livestock Market Review*. Statistics of livestock and poultry are given on pp. 473-477 of this edition of the Year Book.

**24.—Livestock Marketed at Stockyards and Packing Plants, by Grade, 1959-63**

(Exclusive of Newfoundland)

Livestock	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
<b>Cattle</b> .....	<b>2,161,628</b>	<b>2,322,626</b>	<b>2,532,248</b>	<b>2,493,814</b>	<b>2,567,475</b>
Steers—					
Choice .....	327,721	431,697	511,744	476,883	618,100
Good .....	228,790	238,920	271,077	221,158	241,796
Medium .....	150,547	172,080	163,484	160,971	155,543
Common .....	52,852	51,648	55,603	56,404	51,916