

Subsection 1.—Licensed Grain Storage

Total grain storage capacity in Canada, licensed under the provisions of the Canada Grain Act by the Board of Grain Commissioners for Canada, amounted to 647,706,000 bu. at Dec. 1, 1962 and represented a decrease of 4,406,000 bu. from the capacity at Dec. 1, 1961. A decline of some 5,000,000 bu. in the capacity of western country elevators, as well as relatively small reductions in the capacities at the Pacific Coast and at lower Lake and upper St. Lawrence ports, more than offset an increase at lower St. Lawrence ports and at interior, private and mill positions.

At the beginning of the crop year 1962-63, stocks of grain in commercial positions were some 116,000,000 bu. less than those of a year previous, with about 94,000,000 bu. of this total recorded in country elevators. As a result, marketings were heavy early in the crop year and quotas were advanced as additional space became available. With the exception of the months of February and March, delivery quotas were increased fairly regularly throughout the crop year and, by June 24, 1963, slightly more than half of the operating delivery points in the Western Division were on a 12-bu. quota. Marketings were heavy during June and July as producers, acknowledging the indications of above-normal yields, took advantage of delivery privilege to reduce farm stocks. As indicated in Table 26, the proportion of occupied licensed storage capacity rose from 56.3 p.c. at July 31, 1962 to 78.8 p.c. at the same date in 1963.

26.—Licensed Grain Storage Capacity and Grain in Store, Crop Years 1961-62 and 1962-63

Crop Year and Storage Position	Licensed Storage Capacity	Canadian Grain in Licensed Storage			Proportion of Licensed Storage Capacity Occupied		
		Dec. 1, 1961	Nov. 29, 1961	Mar. 28, 1962	July 31, 1962	Nov. 29, 1961	Mar. 28, 1962
	'000 bu.	'000 bu.	'000 bu.	'000 bu.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.
<b>1961-62</b>							
Western country.....	373,458	250,771	193,420	194,611	67.1	51.8	52.1
Interior, private and mill.....	17,951	10,608	10,471	9,065	59.1	58.3	50.5
Interior, terminals.....	18,100	13,538	12,680	9,093	74.8	70.1	50.2
Pacific Coast.....	24,906	14,058	11,365	13,614	56.4	45.6	54.7
Churchill.....	5,000	4,829	4,829	4,400	96.6	96.6	88.0
Fort William-Port Arthur.....	101,741	53,258	80,935	75,509	52.3	79.6	74.2
Georgian Bay and upper Lake ports.....	36,566	27,819	23,342	19,764	76.1	63.8	54.1
Lower Lake and upper St. Lawrence ports.....	21,480	11,032	9,952	10,816	51.4	46.3	50.4
Lower St. Lawrence ports.....	45,680	33,386	21,080	26,803	73.1	46.1	58.7
Maritime ports (excl. Newfoundland).....	7,229	6,497	2,536	3,534	89.9	35.1	48.9
<b>Totals, 1961-62.....</b>	<b>652,112</b>	<b>425,795</b>	<b>370,608</b>	<b>367,208</b>	<b>65.3</b>	<b>56.8</b>	<b>56.3</b>
	Dec. 1, 1962	Nov. 28, 1962	April 3, 1963	July 31, 1963	Nov. 28, 1962	April 3, 1963	July 31, 1963
	'000 bu.	'000 bu.	'000 bu.	'000 bu.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.
<b>1962-63</b>							
Western country.....	368,410	249,315	254,881	316,233	67.7	69.2	85.8
Interior, private and mill.....	18,034	11,100	11,108	10,606	61.6	61.6	58.8
Interior, terminals.....	18,100	8,361	6,706	5,930	46.2	37.0	32.8
Pacific Coast.....	24,846	17,092	14,966	16,470	68.8	60.2	66.3
Churchill.....	5,000	4,845	4,857	4,169	96.9	97.1	83.2
Fort William-Port Arthur.....	101,741	40,595	90,545	79,675	39.9	89.0	78.3
Georgian Bay and upper Lake ports.....	36,566	28,286	20,993	29,170	77.4	57.4	79.8
Lower Lake and upper St. Lawrence ports.....	20,100	10,728	10,128	10,755	53.4	50.4	53.5
Lower St. Lawrence ports.....	47,680	36,947	22,408	32,350	77.5	47.0	67.8
Maritime ports (excl. Newfoundland).....	7,229	5,684	2,221	4,734	78.6	30.7	65.5
<b>Totals, 1962-63.....</b>	<b>647,706</b>	<b>412,955</b>	<b>438,813</b>	<b>510,080</b>	<b>63.8</b>	<b>67.7</b>	<b>78.8</b>