Inspector acting as an inspector under the Weights and Measures Act. A semi-annual inspection was also made of all scales at terminal elevators to ascertain if scales were maintaining their accuracy. Special inspections were made when any doubt arose as to the accuracy of any particular scale.

Attention has been given to alterations in elevators and dust control installations to ensure that such changes and installations do not affect the accuracy of the weighing of grain received at or shipped from these elevators.

During the crop year under review, 299,976 car lots of grain were weighed on receipt at terminal and mill elevators in the Western Division and of these car lots, 52,785 or 17.6% were reported leaking and 5,787 or 1.9% were without seals or had defective seals. There was also a total of 21,806 cars weighed out of terminals.

This Branch maintained a close checking of reported outturns at eastern elevators of cargoes loaded at Lakehead terminals, and investigations were made in cases of reported excessive shortages with a view to assessing the liability in cases where such could be established.

Under provisions of Sections 139 and 140 of the Canada Grain Act, weighovers were conducted at twenty-four terminal elevators and twenty-one eastern elevators. Results of weighovers were submitted to the Board for comparison with outstanding warehouse receipts and preparation of official statements. The Board found it necessary to defer several terminal and eastern elevator audits due to heavy grain stocks in store.

The following tables summarize the grain weighed and other information relating to the work of this Branch.