

5. Government Policies Affecting Grain and Agriculture

In October 1984 the Government announced its intentions to deregulate the wheat and flour industries within a four year transition period. Regulatory controls are to be removed from wheat flour on January 31, 1987 and the role of the New Zealand Wheat Board is to be reviewed in 1988.

Government contracts which call for countertrade purchases, require these purchases to be in non-traditional products.

6. Processing Facilities

Year: 1985

- thousands of tonnes -

	<u>Number of Companies</u>	<u>Number of Plants</u>	<u>Annual Capacity</u>	<u>Actual Output</u>
Flour (and durum) Mills	11	18	400	222
Compound Feed Mills				
Malt Houses	1	2		
Brewers*				
Oilseed Crushers	1	1	0.4	0.2

* Capacity and output in hectolitres

7. Storage and Throughput Capacity: Auckland - no grain storage capacity.

II. MALT AND MALTING BARLEY

Annual per capita beer consumption: Slowly increasing with the introduction of "local" breweries in competition with increased imports.

Market potential for Canadian malt: None