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Stocks of Raw Hides and Skins in Canada

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The Dominion Bureau of Statistics presents herewith one of a series of monthly reports based on information secured for the Wartime Prices and Trade Board showing stocks of raw hides and skins on hand in Canada. The figures contained in the table represent the total domestic and foreign stocks held at the end of the month by tanners, packing plants and dealers in hides and skins. Domestic hides and skins in transit to these firms are included. Foreign hides and skins in transit to Canadian firms are not included but are mentioned separately in a footnote to the table.

Stocks of raw cattle hides held by tanners, packers and dealers in Canada amounted to 667,272 hides at the end of May, 1940, compared with 689,008 hides at the end of April and 747,098 at the end of March. Total stocks on hand at the end of May were made up of 562,709 hides of domestic origin and 104,563 hides of foreign origin. The domestic stocks included 365,037 packer and 197,672 country hides.

Calf and kip skins on hand increased from 494,867 at the end of April to 513,719 at the end of May. Stocks of other types at the end of May included 66,904 dozen sheep and lamb skins, 22,465 goat and kid skins and 19,429 horse hides.

Stocks on Hand

	March 31, 1940	April 30, 1940 "Revised"	May 31, 1940
<b>Cattle Hides -</b>			
Domestic			
Packer .....	375,132	363,549	365,037
Country .....	212,843	206,497	197,672
Domestic, Total .....	587,975	570,046	562,709
Foreign .....	159,123	118,962	104,563
Cattle Hides, Total .....	747,098	689,008	667,272
<b>Calf and Kip Skins -</b>			
Domestic			
Packer .....	174,921	195,344	221,409
Country .....	113,981	191,315	217,550
Domestic, Total .....	288,902	386,659	438,959
Foreign .....	125,955	108,208	74,760
Calf and Kip Skins, Total ...	414,857	494,867	513,719
<b>Sheep and Lamb Skins - (doz.)</b>	85,909	65,069	66,904
<b>Goat and Kid Skins .....</b>	48,761	48,171	22,465
<b>Horse Hides .....</b>	20,833	16,629	19,429

Note: In addition, foreign raw hides in transit to Canadian tanners were reported at 21,357 cattle hides and 19,338 calf skins at end of March, 3,000 cattle hides and 4,048 calf skins at end of April, and 16,948 cattle hides and 12,081 calf skins at the end of May.



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