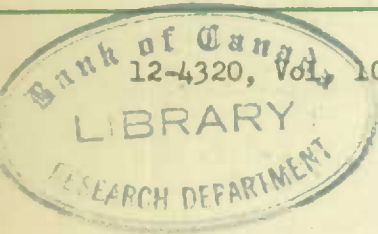


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STATISTICS ON HIDES, SKINS AND LEATHER
DECEMBER, 1949.

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Wettings of all types of hides and skins, with the exception of horse hides, horse fronts and cowhide bellies showed decreases over the previous month. As compared with December 1948 there were increases in goat and kid skins and horse fronts while the remainder showed decreases.

Stocks of raw cattle hides registered an increase of 7.3 p.c. as compared with the previous month and a decrease of 7.9 p.c. compared with December 1948.

Production of sole leather in December (with comparable figures for the previous months in parentheses) was 1,774,803 lb. (1,749,579), total deliveries 1,984,705 lb. (1,743,534), and finished stock on hand 2,427,474 lb. (2,641,841). In cattle upper leather production was 3,535,915 sq. ft. (3,780,991), total deliveries were 3,085,490 sq. ft. (3,439,188), and finished stock on hand was 2,132,045 sq. ft. (1,681,620). In calf and kip upper leather production was 1,001,043 sq. ft. (963,117), total deliveries were 986,253 sq. ft. (1,131,819), and finished stock on hand was 2,199,529 sq. ft. (2,184,739).

1. WETTINGS OF HIDES AND SKINS

	December 1948	November 1949	December 1949
Cattle Hides..... - number	161,249	173,172	160,906
Calf and Kip Skins..... - number	152,632	99,058	82,288
Goat and Kid Skins..... - number	37,555	68,621	42,677
Sheep and Lamb Skins..... - dozens	13,342	17,405	13,204
Horse Hides..... - number	1,689	1,254	1,675
Fronts..... - number	378	3,326	8,539
Butts..... - number	670	"	"
Cowhide Bellies..... - number	21,913	9,184	9,807

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2. STOCKS OF RAW HIDES AND SKINS HELD BY TANNERS, PACKERS AND DEALERS

	December 31, 1948	November 30, 1949	December 31, 1949
Cattle Hides (1) (number)			
Domestic (2) - Packer.....	326,330	339,085	332,106
- Country.....	131,586	66,170	88,439
Total.....	457,916	405,255	420,545
Foreign.....	35,878	18,683	34,401
Cattle Hides, Total.....	493,794	423,938	454,946
Calf and Kip Skins - (Number)			
Domestic (2) - Packer.....	249,167	205,207	179,931
- Country.....	223,544	198,794	196,027
- Total.....	472,711	404,001	375,958
Foreign.....	112,043	181,114	175,869
Calf and Kip Skins, Total.....	584,754	585,115	551,827
Goat and Kid Skins (3) (number).....	63,003	61,326	45,889
Sheep and Lamb Skins (3) (dozens).....	65,968	49,288	47,721
Horse Hides (number).....	24,789	23,789(4)	28,668(5)

Foreign Hides and Skins in Transit
(not included in above)

Cattle Hides (1) - number....	5,199	1,723	15,428
Calf and Kip Skins - number....	40,979	-	54,975
Goat and Kid Skins (3) - number....	15,000	-	600
Sheep and Lamb Skins (3) - dozens....	-	4,086	2,390
Horse Hides - number....	-	-	-

(1) Includes overweight kips

(2) Domestic on hand includes domestic in transit

(3) Figures include East India Tanned

(4) Includes 4,566 horse fronts

(5) Includes 5,481 horse fronts

3. - FINISHED LEATHERS

	December 1948	November 1949	December 1949
1. Cattle Leather			
Sole Leather - pounds			
Production.....	1,921,150	1,749,579	1,774,803
Deliveries - Domestic.....	1,679,823	1,730,944	1,988,829
- Export.....	41,928	12,590	8,650
Total.....	1,721,751	1,743,534	(1)1,984,705
Finished Stock on Hand.....	3,903,829	2,641,841	(2)2,427,474

(1) Discrepancy due to deliveries returned.

(2) Discrepancy due to actual physical inventory.

3. - FINISHED LEATHERS - (Continued)

	December 1948	November 1949	December 1949
Upper Leather (1) (sq. ft.)			
Production.....	3,420,411	3,780,991	3,535,915
Deliveries - Domestic.....	2,799,722	3,126,341	2,809,642
- Export.....	371,153	312,847	275,848
Total.....	3,170,875	3,439,188	3,085,490
Finished Stock on Hand.....	1,955,134	1,681,620	2,132,045
Glove and Garment Leather - sq. ft.			
Production.....	481,599	434,092	455,785
Deliveries - Domestic.....	344,145	421,674	451,511
- Export.....	113,274	-	92,725
Total.....	457,419	421,674	544,236
Finished Stock on Hand.....	186,831	210,342	121,891
Bag, Case and Strap Leather - sides			
Production.....	11,320	15,436	13,359
Deliveries - Domestic.....	10,431	15,124	12,946
- Export.....	1,021	191	530
Total.....	11,452	15,315	13,476
Finished Stock on Hand.....	166	436	319
Harness Leather - sides			
Production.....	2,561	4,259	3,145
Deliveries - Domestic.....	4,315	4,188	3,676
- Export.....	-	-	-
Total.....	4,315	4,188	3,676
Finished Stock on Hand.....	8,190	15,669	(2) 15,463
Belting Leather - butts and butt bends			
Production.....	3,509	4,659	4,939
Deliveries - Domestic.....	3,588	4,818	4,435
- Export.....	-	-	-
Total.....	3,588	4,818	4,435
Finished Stock on Hand.....	3,739	6,913	7,417
2. Calf and Kip Skins Upper -sq. ft.			
Production.....	1,232,976	963,117	1,001,043
Deliveries - Domestic.....	1,097,812	918,505	779,106
- Export.....	453,260	213,314	207,147
Total.....	1,551,072	1,131,819	986,253
Finished Stock on Hand.....	2,969,996	2,184,739	2,199,529

(1) Figures include overweight kips and patent leather.

(2) Discrepancy due to actual physical inventory.



3. - FINISHED LEATHERS - (Concluded)

	December 1948	November 1949	December 1949
3. <u>Goat and Kid Leather - skins</u>			
Production.....	75,178	76,797	46,675
Deliveries - Domestic.....	57,509	65,669	49,642
- Export.....	-	-	-
Total.....	57,509	65,669	49,642
Finished Stock on Hand.....	80,630	72,719	69,752
4. <u>Sheep and Lamb Leather</u>			
<u>Glove and Garment Leather - doz. skins</u>			
Production.....	3,831	4,920	5,057
Deliveries - Domestic.....	4,718	4,960	4,552
- Export.....	-	-	-
Total.....	4,718	4,960	4,552
Finished Stock on Hand.....	1,889	3,265	3,770
Shoe Leather - doz. skins			
Production.....	5,486	5,265	5,532
Deliveries - Domestic.....	5,442	5,925	5,227
- Export.....	-	-	-
Total.....	5,442	5,925	5,227
Finished Stock on Hand.....	5,480	5,820	6,125
5. <u>Horse Leather</u>			
<u>Glove and Garment Leather - sq. ft.</u>			
Production.....	190,718	179,162	191,123
Deliveries - Domestic.....	200,442	161,986	213,464
- Export.....	-	-	-
Total.....	200,442	161,986	213,464
Finished Stock on Hand.....	225,926	54,907	32,566