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STATISTICS ON HIDES, SKINS AND LEATHER

MARCH, 1950

Wettings of all types of hides and skins with the exception of calf and kip skins, horse hides and horse fronts showed small increases from the previous month. As compared with March 1949 there were increases in goat and kid skins and horse fronts while the remainder showed decreases.

Stocks of raw cattle hides registered a decrease of 0.4 p.c. as compared with the previous month and a decrease of 9.0 p.c. compared with March 1949.

Production of sole leather in March (with comparable figures for the the previous months in parentheses) was 1,552,286 lb. (1,648,748), total deliveries 1,247,013 lb. (1,282,110), and finished stock on hand 3,833,562 lb. (3,528,289). In cattle upper leather production was 3,200,006 sq. ft. (2,829,771), total deliveries were 3,175,785 sq. ft. (2,860,616), and finished stock on hand was 2,338,244 sq. ft. (2,314,023). In calf and kip upper leather production was 796,068 sq. ft. (940,257), total deliveries were 752,998 sq. ft. (840,246), and finished stock on hand was 2,283,121 sq. ft. (2,240,051).

1. WETTINGS OF HIDES AND SKINS

	March 1949	February 1950	March 1950
Cattle Hides..... - number	166,359	147,183	152,476
Calf and Kip Skins - number	106,708	83,297	75,718
Goat and Kid Skins - number	28,556	25,546	47,152
Sheep and Lamb Skins - dozens	15,050	13,970	14,057
Horse Hides - number	2,062	2,137	624
Fronts - number	620	4,334	3,355
Butts - number	1,944	-	-
Cowhide Bellies - number	18,976	10,658	12,985

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

	March 31, 1949	February 28, 1950	March 31, 1950
Cattle Hides (1) (number)			
Domestic (2) - Packer	290,541	278,261	266,153
- Country	97,659	93,020	90,097
Total	388,200	371,281	356,250
Foreign	67,427	45,218	58,494
Cattle Hides, Total	455,627	416,499	414,744
Calf and Kip Skins - (number)			
Domestic (2) - Packer	215,400	141,464	152,874
- Country	140,864	145,379	139,672
Total	356,264	286,843	292,546
Foreign	133,148	198,150	177,837
Calf and Kip Skins, Total	489,412	484,993	470,383
Goat and Kid Skins (3) (number)	98,681	51,042	23,597
Sheep and Lamb Skins (3) (dozens) ..	61,136	50,444	45,503
Horse Hides (number)	38,526 (4)	21,815 (5)	29,470 (6)

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

Cattle Hides (1)	- number	4,860	11,153	6,800
Calf and Kip Skins	- number	-	2,263	1,262
Goat and Kid Skins (3)	- number	12,000	-	-
Sheep and Lamb Skins (3)	- dozens	2,363	2,200	1,000
Horse Hides	- number	-	-	-

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| (1) Includes overweight kips | (2) Domestic on hand includes domestic in transit |
| (3) Figures include East India Tanned | (4) Includes 1,249 horse fronts |
| (5) Includes 4,030 horse fronts | (6) Includes 3,804 horse fronts |

3. - FINISHED LEATHERS

	March 1949	February 1950	March 1950
1. Cattle Leather			
Sole Leather - pounds			
Production	1,817,467	1,648,748	1,552,286
Deliveries - Domestic	1,581,709	1,268,044	1,140,547
- Export	72,525	14,066	106,466
- Total	1,657,234	1,282,110	1,247,013
Finished Stock on Hand	3,765,302	3,528,289	3,833,562

3. - FINISHED LEATHERS - (Continued)

	March 1949	February 1950	March 1950
Upper Leather (1) (sq. ft.)			
Production	3,643,415	2,829,771	3,200,006
Deliveries - Domestic	3,124,637	2,436,447	2,695,516
- Export	390,999	424,169	480,269
Total	3,515,639	2,860,616	3,175,785
Finished Stock on Hand	1,847,511	2,314,023	2,338,244
Glove and Garment Leather - sq. ft.			
Production	521,900	528,990	458,394
Deliveries - Domestic	258,289	452,660	438,311
- Export	-	51,172	32,900
Total	258,289	503,832	471,211
Finished Stock on Hand	611,309	208,507	195,690
Bag, Case and Strap Leather - sides			
Production	12,644	11,168	15,357
Deliveries - Domestic	12,480	10,955	14,938
- Export	175	207	420
Total	12,655	11,162	15,358
Finished Stock on Hand	134	252	251
Harness Leather - sides			
Production	5,086	2,108	2,315
Deliveries - Domestic	6,153	3,487	4,661
- Export	-	-	-
Total	6,153	3,487	4,661
Finished Stock on Hand	4,530	12,157	9,811
Belting Leather - butts and butt bends			
Production	3,154	6,687	6,020
Deliveries - Domestic	2,290	6,772	6,889
- Export	-	-	6
Total	2,290	6,772	6,895
Finished Stock on Hand	4,796	7,837	6,962
2. Calf and Kip Skins Upper - sq. ft.			
Production	1,041,313	940,257	796,068
Deliveries - Domestic	672,508	586,132	527,882
- Export	216,916	254,114	225,116
Total	889,424	840,246	752,998
Finished Stock on Hand	3,197,258	2,240,051	2,283,121

(1) Figures include overweight kips and patent leather.



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3. - FINISHED LEATHERS - (Concluded)

	March 1949	February 1950	March 1950
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3. <u>Goat and Kid Leather - skins</u>			
Production	49,008	38,557	33,781
Deliveries - Domestic	37,130	29,745	35,342
- Export	-	-	-
Total	37,130	29,745	35,342
Finished Stock on Hand	78,152	82,518	80,957
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4. <u>Sheep and Lamb Leather</u>			
<u>Glove and Garment Leather - doz. skins</u>			
Production	3,320	5,925	5,675
Deliveries - Domestic	3,609	5,398	5,399
- Export	-	-	-
Total	3,609	5,398	5,399
Finished Stock on Hand	2,699	4,258	4,534
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Shoe Leather - doz. skins			
Production	6,406	5,349	6,760
Deliveries - Domestic	5,732	5,059	5,922
- Export	-	-	-
Total	5,732	5,059	5,922
Finished Stock on Hand	5,027	6,106	6,944
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5. <u>Horse Leather</u>			
<u>Glove and Garment Leather - sq. ft.</u>			
Production	123,139	160,784	188,213
Deliveries - Domestic	129,370	138,777	190,374
- Export	-	-	76
Total	129,370	138,777	190,450
Finished Stock on Hand	74,735	61,066	58,829
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