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STATISTICS ON HIDES, SKINS AND LEATHER

April, 1950

Wettings of all types of hides and skins with the exception of calf and kip skins, horse hides and horse fronts showed decreases from the previous month. As compared with April 1949 there were decreases in all classes except calf and kip skins, horse hides and horse fronts.

Stocks of raw cattle hides registered an increase of 3.4 p.c. as compared with the previous month and a decrease of 6.0 p.c. compared with April 1949.

Production of sole leather in April (with comparable figures for the previous months in parentheses) was 1,393,490 lb. (1,552,286), total deliveries 1,252,002 lb. (1,247,013), and finished stock on hand 3,977,149 lb. (3,833,562). In cattle upper leather production was 2,263,759 sq. ft. (3,200,006), total deliveries were 2,360,791 sq. ft. (3,175,785), and finished stock on hand was 2,241,212 sq. ft. (2,338,244). In calf and kip upper leather production was 1,131,586 sq. ft. (796,068), total deliveries were 650,773 sq. ft. (752,998), and finished stock on hand was 2,763,934 sq. ft. (2,283,121).

1. WETTINGS OF HIDES AND SKINS

	April 1949	March 1950	April 1950
Cattle Hides - number	134,373	152,476	110,997
Calf and Kip Skins - number	94,164	75,718	98,171
Goat and Kid Skins - number	50,489	47,152	34,974
Sheep and Lamb Skins - dozens	12,643	14,057	10,422
Horse Hides - number	2,059	624	3,044
Fronts - number	3,522	3,355	4,109
Butts - number	1,770	-	-
Cowhide Bellies - number	11,108	12,985	10,154

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

	April 30, 1949	March 31, 1950	April 30, 1950
Cattle Hides (1) (number)			
Domestic (2) - Packer	295,915	266,153	270,043
- Country	98,342	90,097	100,290
Total	394,257	356,250	370,333
Foreign	60,343	58,494	58,479
Cattle Hides, Total	454,600	414,744	428,812
Calf and Kip Skins - (number)			
Domestic (2) - Packer	265,959	152,874	205,095
- Country	167,816	139,672	159,349
Total	433,775	292,546	364,444
Foreign	150,508	177,837	109,391
Calf and Kip Skins, Total	584,283	470,383	473,835
Goat and Kid Skins (3) (number)	160,842	23,597	27,184
Sheep and Lamb Skins (3) (dozens) ..	46,337	45,503	46,106
Horse Hides (number)	(4) 15,933	(5) 29,470	(6) 16,695

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

Cattle Hides (1)	- number	5,362	6,800	7,022
Calf and Kip Skins	- number	7,976	1,262	-
Goat and Kid Skins (3)	- number	7,200	-	-
Sheep and Lamb Skins (3)	- dozens	5,071	1,000	5,305
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 1,015 horse fronts |
| (5) Includes 3,804 horse fronts | (6) Includes 5,483 horse fronts |

3. - FINISHED LEATHERS

	April 1949	March 1950	April 1950
1. Cattle Leather			
Sole Leather - pounds			
Production	1,599,049	1,552,286	1,393,490
Deliveries - Domestic	1,526,137	1,140,547	1,204,086
- Export	1,398	106,466	47,916
- Total	1,527,535	1,247,013	1,252,002
Finished Stock on Hand	3,836,816	3,833,562	(1) 3,977,149

(1) Discrepancy due to deliveries returned.

3. - FINISHED LEATHERS - (Continued)

	April 1949	March 1950	April 1950
Upper Leather (1) (sq. ft.)			
Production	2,833,348	3,200,006	2,263,759
Deliveries - Domestic	2,573,925	2,695,516	2,019,226
- Export	335,051	480,269	341,565
Total	2,908,976	3,175,785	2,360,791
Finished Stock on Hand	1,821,883	2,338,244	2,241,212
Glove and Garment Leather -sq. ft.			
Production	381,478	458,394	333,492
Deliveries - Domestic	181,184	438,311	299,622
- Export	-	32,900	22,068
Total	181,184	471,211	321,690
Finished Stock on Hand	811,603	195,690	207,492
Bag, Case and Strap Leather - sides			
Production	12,290	15,357	13,636
Deliveries - Domestic	12,015	14,938	13,527
- Export	275	420	271
Total	12,290	15,358	13,798
Finished Stock on Hand	134	251	89
Harness Leather - sides			
Production	5,371	2,315	2,402
Deliveries - Domestic	4,422	4,661	3,333
- Export	-	-	-
Total	4,422	4,661	3,333
Finished Stock on Hand	5,479	9,811	8,880
Belting Leather - butts and butt bends			
Production	2,446	6,020	4,653
Deliveries - Domestic	1,988	6,889	4,290
- Export	-	6	-
Total	1,988	6,895	4,290
Finished Stock on Hand	5,254	6,962	7,325
2. Calf and Kip Skins Upper - sq. ft.			
Production	966,003	796,068	1,131,586
Deliveries - Domestic	518,199	527,882	474,016
- Export	294,282	225,116	176,757
Total	812,481	752,998	650,773
Finished Stock on Hand	3,350,780	2,283,121	2,763,934

(1) Figures include overweight kips and patent leather.



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3. - FINISHED LEATHERS - (Concluded)

	April 1949	March 1950	April 1950
3. <u>Goat and Kid Leather</u> - skins			
Production	43,959	33,781	31,203
Deliveries - Domestic	33,047	35,342	21,039
- Export	-	-	-
Total	33,047	35,342	21,039
Finished Stock on Hand	89,064	80,957	91,121
4. <u>Sheep and Lamb Leather</u>			
<u>Glove and Garment Leather</u> - doz skins			
Production	2,778	5,675	4,491
Deliveries - Domestic	3,078	5,399	4,736
- Export	-	-	-
Total	3,078	5,399	4,736
Finished Stock on Hand	2,399	4,534	4,289
Shoe Leather - doz. skins			
Production	6,642	6,760	4,607
Deliveries - Domestic	5,784	5,922	4,539
- Export	-	-	-
Total	5,784	5,922	4,539
Finished Stock on Hand	5,885	6,944	7,012
5. <u>Horse Leather</u>			
<u>Glove and Garment Leather</u> - sq. ft.			
Production	69,419	188,213	136,402
Deliveries - Domestic	80,940	190,374	142,876
- Export	-	76	-
Total	80,940	190,450	142,876
Finished Stock on Hand	63,214	58,829	52,355