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STATISTICS ON HIDES, SKINS AND LEATHERMay, 1952

Wettings of cattle hides, calf and kip skins, sheep and lamb skins and horse fronts showed increases over the previous month. As compared with May 1951 there were decreases in all classes except cattle hides and cowhide bellies.

Stocks of raw cattle hides registered an increase of 8.3 p.c. compared with the previous month and an increase of 23.7 p.c. compared with May 1951.

Production of sole leather in May, at 1,013,850 lb. was 1.4 p.c. over the 999,660 lb. recorded for April; total deliveries, at 1,372,193 lb. were 36.2 p.c. over the April figure of 1,007,236 lb. Cattle upper leather production was 3,406,017 sq. ft., 18.9 p.c. over the 2,863,861 sq. ft. in April; total deliveries at 3,746,611 sq. ft. were 35.5 p.c. over the 2,764,825 sq. ft. in April. Calf and kip upper leather production was 518,016 sq. ft., 8.5 p.c. over the 477,279 sq. ft. in April and total deliveries at 655,263 sq. ft. were 23.0 p.c. over the 532,559 sq. ft. in April.

1. WETTINGS OF HIDES AND SKINS

	May 1951	April 1952	May 1952
Cattle Hides.....-number	139,054	116,402	146,454
Calf and Kip Skins.....-number	71,830	38,203	55,451
Goat and Kid Skins.....-number	21,974	19,151	1,810
Sheep and Lamb Skins.....-dozens	11,208	8,442	10,478
Horse Hides.....-number	72	-	-
Fronts.....-number	10,724	3,637	4,358
Butts.....-number	12,125	3,181	2,281
Cowhides Bellies.....-number	10,094	35,102	19,572

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

	May 31, 1951	April 30, 1952	May 31, 1952
Cattle Hides (1) (number)			
Domestic (2) - Packer	219,277	222,360	270,789
Country	64,738	105,403	88,964
Total	284,015	327,763	359,753
Foreign	27,937	28,573	26,032
Cattle Hides, Total	311,952	356,336	385,785
Calf and Kip Skins - (number)			
Domestic (2) - Packer	168,479	243,169	231,288
- Country	191,749	255,502	243,612
Total	360,228	498,671	474,900
Foreign	118,999	148,736	167,988
Calf and Kip Skins, Total	479,227	647,407	642,888
Goat and Kid Skins (3) (number)	80,342	40,928	39,108
Sheep and Lamb Skins (3) (dozens) ...	38,071	40,804	34,972
Horse Hides (number)	(4) 37,394	(5) 48,009	(6) 45,046

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

Cattle Hides (1)	2,634	2,858	2,102
Calf and Kip Skins	-	-	-
Goat and Kid Skins (3)	46,660	-	-
Sheep and Lamb Skins (3) ...	11,535	-	3,600
Horse Hides	-	12	-

- (1) Includes overweight kips.
- (2) Domestic on hand includes domestic in transit.
- (3) Figures include East India Tanned.
- (4) Includes 16,767 horse fronts.
- (5) Includes 5,710 horse fronts.
- (6) Includes 9,475 horse fronts.

3. Finished Leathers

	May 1951	April 1952	May 1952
<u>1. Cattle Leather</u>			
Sole Leather - pounds			
Production	1,451,101	999,660	1,013,850
Deliveries - Domestic	992,514	913,613	1,126,975
- Export	111,846	93,623	245,218
- Total	1,104,360	1,007,236	1,372,193

3. FINISHED LEATHERS - (Continued)

	May 1951	April 1952	May 1952
Upper Leather (1) (sq. ft.)			
Production	2,941,244	2,863,861	3,406,017
Deliveries - Domestic	2,132,835	2,330,915	3,429,175
- Export	490,660	433,910	317,436
Total	2,623,495	2,764,825	3,746,611
Finished Stock on Hand	2,587,797	2,592,131	2,251,537
Glove and Garment Leather - sq. ft.			
Production	178,901	485,324	457,800
Deliveries - Domestic	207,888	524,390	417,246
- Export	-	215	46,930
Total	207,888	524,605	464,176
Finished Stock on Hand	202,318	204,074	197,698
Bag, Case and Strap Leather - Sides			
Production	14,976	9,398	9,260
Deliveries - Domestic	12,997	9,846	7,283
- Export	456	491	553
Total	13,453	10,337	7,836
Finished Stock on Hand	4,450	3,204	4,628
Harness Leather - Sides			
Production	4,153	2,663	3,141
Deliveries - Domestic	3,055	2,432	3,542
- Export	-	-	-
Total	3,055	2,432	3,542
Finished Stock on Hand	3,711	18,346	17,945
Belting Leather - Butt Bends			
Production	4,192	773	1,141
Deliveries - Domestic	4,624	1,313	834
- Export	-	-	-
Total	4,624	1,313	834
Finished Stock on Hand	5,360	7,109	7,416
2. Calf and Kip Skins Upper Sq. Ft.			
Production	781,022	477,279	518,016
Deliveries - Domestic	379,985	424,207	525,176
- Export	82,971	108,352	130,087
Total	462,956	532,559	655,263
Finished Stock on Hand	3,109,352	2,936,054	2,798,807

(1) Figures include overweight kips and patent leather.



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3. FINISHED LEATHERS - (Concluded)

	May 1951	April 1952	May 1952
3. <u>Goat and Kid Leather - Skins</u>			
Production	22,682	23,782	24,498
Deliveries - Domestic	17,966	14,193	21,888
- Export	-	-	-
Total	17,966	14,193	21,888
Finished Stock on Hand	58,534	71,484	74,094

4. Sheep and Lamb Leather

Glove and Garment Leather - doz. skins

Production	4,293	4,982	3,993
Deliveries - Domestic	4,041	5,232	4,287
- Export	-	-	-
Total	4,041	5,232	4,287
Finished Stock on Hand	2,983	4,040	3,746

Shoe Leather - doz. skins

Production	2,990	2,781	2,478
Deliveries - Domestic	2,478	2,740	2,375
- Export	-	-	-
Total	2,478	2,740	2,375
Finished Stock on Hand	5,396	5,471	5,574

5. Horse Leather

Glove and Garment Leather - sq. ft.

Production	465,416	186,070	175,607
Deliveries - Domestic	292,010	177,058	199,654
- Export	-	-	-
Total	292,010	177,058	199,654
Finished Stock on Hand	265,023	329,106	305,059