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STATISTICS ON HIDES, SKINS AND LEATHER

February, 1953

Wettings of all types of hides and skins, with the exception of cattle hides, showed decreases from the previous month. As compared with February 1952, there were increases on all classes except horse fronts, horse butts and cowhide bellies.

Stocks of raw cattle hides registered a decrease of 3.8 p.c. compared with the previous month and an increase of 13.4 p.c. compared with February 1952.

Production of sole leather in February, at 1,555,828 lb. was 11.6 p.c. over the 1,393,660 lb. recorded for January; total deliveries at 1,387,402 lb. were 13.6 p.c. over the January figure of 1,221,589 lb. Cattle upper leather production was 4,744,341 sq. ft., 1.5 p.c. over the 4,675,035 sq. ft. in January; total deliveries at 4,612,840 sq. ft. were 4.7 p.c. under the 4,840,500 sq. ft. in January. Calf and kip upper leather production was 787,107 sq. ft., 1.7 p.c. under the 800,472 sq. ft. in January and total deliveries at 681,967 sq. ft. were 10.9 p.c. under the 765,147 sq. ft. in January.

1. WETTINGS OF HIDES AND SKINS

	February 1952	January 1953	February 1953
Cattle Hides..... = number	120,993	187,937	188,869
Calf and Kip Skins..... = number	41,626	70,965	59,285
Sheep and Lamb Skins..... = dozens	7,705	12,766	12,131
Horse Hides..... = number	4	433	250
Fronts..... = number	6,798	5,596	4,858
Butts = number	3,832	6,415	2,122
Cowhide Bellies..... = number	34,145	27,675	25,100

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

	February 29, 1952	January 31, 1953	February 28, 1953
Cattle Hides (1) - (number)			
Domestic (2) - Packer.....	254,953	311,146	287,575
Country.....	112,659	118,747	122,317
Total.....	367,612	429,893	409,892
Foreign.....	20,765	28,062	30,558
Cattle Hides, Total.....	388,377	457,955	440,450
Calf and Kip Skins - (number)			
Domestic (2) Packer.....	220,404	157,802	148,930
Country.....	234,456	116,289	92,967
Total.....	454,860	274,091	241,897
Foreign.....	180,593	105,475	83,921
Calf and Kip Skins, Total.....	635,453	379,566	325,818
Sheep and Lamb Skins (3) (dozens).	50,184	50,086	35,522
Horse Hides (number).....	38,390 (4)	44,485 (5)	23,226 (6)

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

Cattle Hides (1)..... = number	800	2,819	1,259
Calf and Kip Skins..... = number	-	19,355	13,355
Sheep and Lamb Skins (3) = dozens	1,054	-	1,000
Horse Hides..... = number	-	-	-

- (1) Includes overweight kips.
- (2) Domestic on hand includes domestic in transit.
- (3) Figures include East India Tanned.
- (4) Includes 4,582 horse fronts.
- (5) Includes 6,354 horse fronts.
- (6) Includes 7,489 horse fronts.

3. Finished Leathers

	February 1952	January 1953	February 1953
1. <u>Cattle Leather</u>			
Sole Leather - pounds			
Production.....	943,011	1,393,660	1,555,828
Deliveries - Domestic...	1,245,790	1,130,838	1,305,641
Export.....	89,242	90,751	81,761
Total.....	1,335,032	1,221,589	1,387,402

3. FINISHED LEATHERS - (Continued)

	February 1952	January 1953	February 1953
Upper Leather (1) (Sq. ft.)			
Production.....	2,862,832	4,675,035	4,744,341
Deliveries - Domestic.....	2,643,774	3,945,212	3,909,177
- Export.....	327,871	895,288	703,663
Total.....	2,971,645	4,840,500	4,612,840
Finished Stock on Hand.....	2,450,733	2,451,203	2,582,704
Glove and Garment Leather - sq. ft.			
Production.....	443,679	386,398	389,367
Deliveries - Domestic.....	357,322	298,583	339,646
- Export.....	51,762	35,336	61,565
Total.....	409,084	333,919	401,211
Finished Stock on Hand.....	207,159	181,279	169,435
Bag, Case and Strap Leather - Sides			
Production.....	5,279	9,767	10,053
Deliveries - Domestic.....	8,197	9,277	10,214
- Export.....	208	855	733
Total.....	8,405	10,132	10,947
Finished Stock on Hand.....	3,467	4,524	3,630
Harness Leather - Sides			
Production.....	5,830	2,798	2,000
Deliveries - Domestic.....	3,879	2,677	2,230
- Export.....	-	-	-
Total.....	3,879	2,677	2,230
Finished Stock on Hand.....	16,195	1,432	1,202
Belting Leather - Butt Bends.			
Production.....	1,152	1,809	1,950
Deliveries - Domestic.....	750	941	1,733
- Export.....	-	-	-
Total.....	750	941	1,733
Finished Stock on Hand.....	7,890	5,968	6,185
2. Calf and Kip Skins Upper Sq. Ft.			
Production.....	566,695	800,472	787,107
Deliveries - Domestic.....	447,734	652,373	600,752
- Export.....	93,899	112,774	81,215
Total.....	541,633	765,147	681,967
Finished Stock on Hand.....	3,031,559	1,405,006	1,510,146

(1) Figures include overweight kips and patent leather.



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3. FINISHED LEATHERS - (Concluded)

	February 1952	January 1953	February 1953
3. <u>Sheep and Lamb Leather</u>			
Glove and Garment Leather - doz. skins			
Production.....	4,301	5,407	5,100
Deliveries - Domestic.....	3,873	4,908	5,407
- Export.....	-	-	-
Total.....	3,873	4,908	5,407
Finished Stock on Hand.....	4,789	3,677	3,370
Shoe Leather - doz. skins			
Production.....	2,034	4,113	3,991
Deliveries - Domestic.....	2,713	4,024	3,521
- Export.....	-	-	-
Total.....	2,713	4,024	3,521
Finished Stock on Hand.....	5,298	4,160	4,630
4. <u>Horse Leather</u>			
Glove and Garment Leather - sq. ft.			
Production.....	249,150	211,238	182,839
Deliveries - Domestic.....	307,521	168,044	182,093
- Export.....	-	-	-
Total.....	307,521	168,044	182,093
Finished Stock on Hand.....	272,446	196,529	197,275