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STATISTICS ON HIDES, SKINS AND LEATHER

March, 1953

Wettings of all types of hides and skins, with the exception of cattle hides, horse butts and cowhide bellies showed decreases from the previous month. As compared with March 1952, there were decreases in all classes except cattle hides, sheep and lamb skins and horse hides.

Stocks of raw cattle hides registered an increase of 0.86 p.c. compared with the previous month and an increase of 28.9 p.c. compared with March 1952.

Production of sole leather in March, at 1,313,242 lb. was 15.6 p.c. under the 1,555,828 lb. recorded for February; total deliveries at 1,453,548 lb. were 4.8 p.c. over the February figure of 1,387,402 lb. Cattle upper leather production was 4,900,072 sq. ft., 3.3 p.c. over the 4,744,341 sq. ft. in February; total deliveries at 4,831,576 sq. ft. were 4.7 p.c. over the 4,612,840 sq. ft. in February. Calf and kip upper leather production was 740,691 sq. ft., 5.9 p.c. under the 787,107 sq. ft. in February and total deliveries at 635,230 sq. ft. were 6.9 p.c. under the 681,967 sq. ft. in February.

1. WETTINGS OF HIDES AND SKINS

	March 1952	February 1953	March 1953
Cattle Hides = number	121,761	188,869	193,223
Calf and Kip Skins = number	53,517	59,285	53,155
Sheep and Lamb Skins = dozens	8,637	12,131	10,135
Horse Hides = number	-	250	200
Fronts = number	4,642	4,858	4,569
Butts = number	7,663	2,122	3,153
Cowhide Bellies = number	34,912	25,100	25,933

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

	March 31, 1952	February 28, 1953	March 31, 1953
Cattle Hides (1) - (number)			
Domestic (2) - Packer	230,746	287,575	294,455
Country	100,086	122,317	114,820
Total	330,832	409,892	409,275
Foreign	13,948	30,558	34,976
Cattle Hides, Total	344,780	440,450	444,251
Calf and Kip Skins - (number)			
Domestic (2) Packer	238,677	148,930	139,845
Country	245,972	92,967	95,407
Total	484,649	241,897	235,252
Foreign	161,301	83,921	63,805
Calf and Kip Skins, Total	645,950	325,818	299,057
Sheep and Lamb Skins (3) (dozens) ..	46,246	35,522	24,531
Horse Hides (number)	35,686(4)	23,226(5)	24,201(6)

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

Cattle Hides (1)	= number	2,324	1,259	1,500
Calf and Kip Skins	= number	-	13,355	5,855
Sheep and Lamb Skins (3) ..	= dozens	-	1,000	1,516
Horse Hides	= number	-	-	-

- (1) Includes overweight kips.
- (2) Domestic on hand includes domestic in transit.
- (3) Figures include East India Tanned.
- (4) Includes 6,160 horse fronts.
- (5) Includes 7,489 horse fronts.
- (6) Includes 6,610 horse fronts.

3. Finished Leathers

	March 1952	February 1953	March 1953
1. <u>Cattle Leather</u>			
Sole Leather - pounds			
Production	1,171,342	1,555,828	1,313,242
Deliveries - Domestic ..	1,220,900	1,305,641	1,369,630
Export	174,593	81,761	83,918
Total	1,395,493	1,387,402	1,453,548

3. FINISHED LEATHERS - (Continued)

	March 1952	February 1953	March 1953
Upper Leather (1) (Sq. ft.)			
Production	2,762,395	4,744,341	4,900,072
Deliveries - Domestic	2,417,796	3,909,177	4,081,021
- Export	302,237	703,663	750,555
Total	2,720,033	4,612,840	4,831,576
Finished Stock on Hand	2,493,095	2,582,704	2,651,200
Glove and Garment Leather - sq. ft.			
Production	476,262	389,367	519,665
Deliveries - Domestic	440,066	339,646	375,272
- Export	-	61,565	56,945
Total	440,066	401,211	432,217
Finished Stock on Hand	243,355	169,435	256,883
Bag, Case and Strap Leather - Sides			
Production	9,965	10,053	8,379
Deliveries - Domestic	9,289	10,214	9,415
- Export	-	733	714
Total	9,289	10,947	10,129
Finished Stock on Hand	4,143	3,630	1,880
Harness Leather - Sides			
Production	6,244	2,000	4,011
Deliveries - Domestic	4,324	2,230	3,945
- Export	-	-	-
Total	4,324	2,230	3,945
Finished Stock on Hand	18,115	1,202	1,268
Belting Leather - Butt Bends.			
Production	744	1,950	2,382
Deliveries - Domestic	985	1,733	2,704
- Export	-	-	-
Total	985	1,733	2,704
Finished Stock on Hand	7,649	6,185	5,863
2. Calf and Kip Skins Upper Sq. Ft.			
Production	569,155	787,107	740,691
Deliveries - Domestic	485,450	600,752	536,048
- Export	123,930	81,215	99,182
Total	609,380	681,967	635,230
Finished Stock on Hand	2,991,334	1,510,146	1,615,607

(1) Figures include overweight kips and patent leather.



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3. FINISHED LEATHERS - (Concluded)

	March 1952	February 1953	March 1953
3. <u>Sheep and Lamb Leather</u>			
Glove and Garment Leather - doz. skins			
Production	4,019	5,100	4,008
Deliveries - Domestic	4,518	5,407	4,854
- Export	-	-	-
Total	4,518	5,407	4,854
Finished Stock on Hand	4,290	3,370	2,524
Shoe Leather - doz. skins			
Production	3,108	3,991	3,468
Deliveries - Domestic	2,976	3,521	3,618
- Export	-	-	-
Total	2,976	3,521	3,618
Finished Stock on Hand	5,430	4,630	4,480
4. <u>Horse Leather</u>			
Glove and Garment Leather - sq. ft.			
Production	217,388	182,839	110,480
Deliveries - Domestic	169,740	182,093	179,811
- Export	-	-	-
Total	169,740	182,093	179,811
Finished Stock on Hand	320,094	197,275	127,944