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## STATISTICS ON HIDES, SKINS AND LEATHER

June, 1953

Wettings of all types of hides and skins, except horse butts, were lower in June than in the previous month. As compared with June, 1952, there were increases in cattle hides and horse fronts.

Stocks of raw cattle hides increased by 3.2 p.c. and 3.5 p.c. in the May - June and year-to-year comparison.

Production of sole leather decreased by 3.5 p.c. in the month and deliveries were also lower by 5.9 p.c., while in cattle upper leather production increased by 2.0 p.c. and deliveries by 4.2 p.c. In calf and kip upper leather both production and deliveries were lower by 12.8 p.c. and 14.6 p.c.

Publication of data on goat and kid skins, which was discontinued after January, 1953, is resumed in this number and attention is directed to Tables 4 and 5.

### 1. WETTINGS OF HIDES AND SKINS

	June 1952	May 1953	June 1953
Cattle Hides ..... = number	133,821	185,019	167,164
Calf and Kip Skins ..... = number	60,935	75,489	59,755
Sheep and Lamb Skins ..... = dozens	8,525	9,853	8,277
Horse Hides ..... = number	-	-	-
Fronts ..... = number	3,484	5,326	3,962
Butts ..... = number	5,158	1,985	3,746
Cowhide Bellies ..... = number	17,361	22,083	16,539

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

	June 30, 1952	May 31, 1953	June 30, 1953
<b>Cattle Hides (1) - (number)</b>			
Domestic (2) - Packer .....	295,320	265,563	285,050
Country .....	84,325	112,028	103,304
Total .....	379,645	377,591	388,354
Foreign .....	21,011	23,881	26,258
Cattle Hides, Total .....	400,656	401,472 (7)	414,612
<b>Calf and Kip Skins - (number)</b>			
Domestic (2) Packer .....	270,040	204,250	254,945
Country .....	236,018	83,846	73,943
Total .....	506,058	288,096	328,888
Foreign .....	155,578	40,907	52,667
Calf and Kip Skins, Total .....	661,636	329,003	381,555
Sheep and Lamb Skins (3) (dozens) ....	35,167	26,126	21,792
Horse Hides (number) .....	45,961 (4)	10,532 (5)	7,184(6)

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

Cattle Hides (1) .....	= number	2,193	2,198	500
Calf and Kip Skins .....	= number	-	-	-
Sheep and Lamb Skins (3) .....	= dozens	2,342	2,500	2,500
Horse Hides .....	= number	-	-	-

- (1) Includes overweight kips.
- (2) Domestic on hand includes domestic in transit.
- (3) Figures include East India Tanned.
- (4) Includes 7,188 horse fronts.
- (5) Includes 1,830 horse fronts.
- (6) Includes 754 horse fronts.
- (7) Revised.

3. Finished Leathers

	June 1952	May 1953	June 1953
<b>1. Cattle Leather</b>			
Sole Leather - pounds			
Production .....	1,055,412	1,353,949	1,306,344
Deliveries - Domestic .....	1,148,373	1,125,481	1,205,327
Export .....	115,872	271,989	109,320
Total .....	1,264,245	1,397,470	1,314,647

3. FINISHED LEATHERS - (continued)

	June 1952	May 1953	June 1953
<b>Upper Leather (1) (sq. ft.)</b>			
Production .....	3,930,537	4,529,847	4,619,530
Deliveries - Domestic .....	3,703,254	3,536,439	3,721,539
- Export .....	395,846	848,789	846,436
Total .....	4,099,100	4,385,228	4,567,975
Finished Stock on hand .....	2,082,974	2,856,134	2,907,689
<b>Glove and Garment Leather - sq. ft.</b>			
Production .....	395,082	445,610	540,467
Deliveries - Domestic .....	352,386	339,924	480,675
- Export .....	9,447	89,129	48,101
Total .....	361,833	429,053	528,776
Finished Stock on Hand .....	230,947	307,644	319,335
<b>Bag, Case and Strap Leather - Sides</b>			
Production .....	9,014	8,466	8,706
Deliveries - Domestic .....	8,727	7,869	8,532
- Export .....	481	272	407
Total .....	9,208	8,141	8,939
Finished Stock on Hand .....	4,434	1,143	910
<b>Harness Leather - Sides</b>			
Production .....	2,086	2,316	3,000
Deliveries - Domestic .....	1,623	2,327	2,624
- Export .....	-	-	-
Total .....	1,623	2,327	2,624
Finished Stock on Hand .....	18,408	1,152	1,528
<b>Belting Leather - Butt Bends</b>			
Production .....	981	2,594	2,275
Deliveries - Domestic .....	1,301	1,106	1,566
- Export .....	-	-	-
Total .....	1,301	1,106	1,566
Finished Stock on Hand .....	7,096	7,244	7,853
<b>2. Calf and Kip Skins Upper Sq. Ft.</b>			
Production .....	662,449	684,408	597,048
Deliveries - Domestic .....	773,364	603,480	468,277
- Export .....	228,708	92,041	125,717
Total .....	1,002,072	695,521	593,994
Finished Stock on Hand .....	2,459,184	1,596,205	1,599,259

(1) Figures include overweight kips and patent leather.

3. FINISHED LEATHERS - (Concluded)

	June 1952	May 1953	June 1953
<b>3. <u>Sheep and Lamb Leather</u></b>			
Glove and Garment Leather - doz. skins			
Production .....	3,027	4,261	3,381
Deliveries - Domestic .....	3,211	4,007	3,924
- Export .....	-	-	-
Total .....	3,211	4,007	3,924
Finished Stock on Hand .....	3,562	2,851	2,308
Shoe Leather - doz. skins			
Production .....	3,155	2,679	3,144
Deliveries - Domestic .....	2,606	3,001	3,032
- Export .....	-	-	-
Total .....	2,606	3,001	3,032
Finished Stock on Hand .....	6,123	3,987	4,099
<b>4. <u>Horse Leather</u></b>			
Glove and Garment Leather - sq. ft.			
Production .....	155,313	150,795	158,753
Deliveries - Domestic .....	183,582	186,112	164,186
- Export .....	-	232	-
Total .....	153,582	186,344	164,186
Finished Stock on Hand .....	276,790	108,984	103,551

REVISED DATA ON SHEEP AND LAMB AND GOAT AND KIDSKIN WETTINGS  
AND LEATHER PRODUCTION

Some India-tanned sheepskins, formerly included with sheep and lambskin wettings, have been included with goat and kidskin wettings. Revised data for 1952 and 1953 are given in Table 4.

As the leather produced from these skins was included with the figures of goat and kid leather, no revision of the latter data is needed for 1952 or January, 1953. Figures from February to June, 1953, are given in Table 5. Revised figures of stocks of raw skins are also given.

4. Revised Data on Wettings of Sheep and Lamb and Goat and Kid Skins, 1952-53

Month	Sheep and Lamb Dozen Skins	Goat and Kid No. of Skins
<u>1952</u>		
January .....	6,647	36,063
February .....	6,957	41,296
March .....	8,227	28,919
April .....	7,632	30,498
May .....	9,151	19,979
June .....	8,040	10,729
July .....	6,935	10,498
August .....	8,182	13,660
September .....	10,884	18,657
October .....	10,035	18,712
November .....	10,720	29,298
December .....	10,287	31,271
<u>1953</u>		
January .....	10,856	33,892
February .....	12,131	19,456
March .....	10,135	19,551
April .....	8,911	9,905
May .....	9,853	6,740
June .....	8,277	5,226



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5. PRODUCTION, DELIVERIES AND STOCKS OF GOAT AND KID LEATHERS,  
FEBRUARY TO JUNE, 1953

	Feb. Skins	Mar. Skins	Apr. Skins	May Skins	June Skins
Production .....	32,581	21,300	18,685	6,289	5,214
Deliveries .....	37,364	28,202	22,845	8,981	8,815
Finished Stock on Hand ...	49,747	42,845	38,685	35,993	32,392

(There were no export deliveries in 1953)

RAW STOCKS

The figures of raw skins on hand at January 31, 1953, should be revised to read:

Sheep and Lamb - 48,351 dozen

Goat and Kid - 59,776 skins

Stocks of raw goat and kid skins (including India-tanned sheep) were as follows:

February 28,	40,338 skins	May 31,	35,709 skins
March 31,	29,691 "	June 30,	37,199 "
April 30,	22,400 "		