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STATISTICS ON HIDES, SKINS AND LEATHER

SEPTEMBER 1953

Wettings of all types of hides and skins with the exception of cattle hides, calf and kip skins and cowhide bellies showed increases over the previous month. As compared with September 1952, there were decreases in all classes except calf and kip skins and horse butts.

Stocks of raw cattle hides registered an increase of 11.2 p.c. compared with the previous month and an increase of 6.1 p.c. compared with September 1952.

Production of sole leather in September, at 1,353,583 lb. was 25.0 p.c. over the 1,083,195 lb. recorded for August; total deliveries at 1,175,964 lb. were 5.2 p.c. over the August figure of 1,117,788 lb. Cattle upper leather production was 3,755,007 sq. ft., 3.0 p.c. under the 3,872,146 sq. ft. in August; total deliveries at 3,658,741 sq. ft. were 3.7 p.c. under the 3,799,661 sq. ft. in August. Calf and kip upper leather production was 673,328 sq. ft., 6.6 p.c. under the 720,923 sq. ft. in August and total deliveries at 668,852 sq. ft. were 12.0 p.c. under the 760,158 sq. ft. in August.

1. WETTINGS OF HIDES AND SKINS

	September 1952	August 1953	September 1953
Cattle Hides = number	170,363	179,227	158,688
Calf and Kip Skins = number	71,166	94,327	74,268
Goat and Kid Skins = number	18,657	7,200	10,231
Sheep and Lamb Skins = dozens	10,884	7,137	9,617
Horse Hides = number	619	-	-
Fronts = number	4,261	2,660	3,792
Butts = number	4,909	4,009	5,857
Cowhide bellies = number	31,795	19,877	11,544

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

	September 30, 1952	August 31, 1953	September 30, 1953
Cattle Hides (1) - (number)			
Domestic (2) - Packer	299,174	280,425	324,376
Country	89,910	90,533	95,539
Total	389,084	370,958	419,915
Foreign	31,079	29,842	25,811
Cattle Hides, Total	420,163	400,800	445,726
Calf and Kip Skins - (number)			
Domestic (2) Packer	263,128	236,377	244,591
Country	183,679	102,766	92,966
Total	446,807	339,143	337,557
Foreign	120,691	62,031	57,940
Calf and Kip Skins, Total	567,498	401,174	395,497
Goat and Kid Skins (3) (number) ...	46,809	24,698	14,489
Sheep and Lamb Skins (3) (dozens) .	40,442	26,687	32,045
Horse Hides (number)	(4) 42,683	(5) 11,826	(6) 10,838

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

Cattle Hides (1)	- number	3,999	1,344	1,000
Calf and Kip Skins	- number	65,855	-	-
Goat and Kid Skins (3)	- number	-	-	-
Sheep and Lamb Skins (3) ..	- dozens	1,000	260	-
Horse Hides	- number	-	-	-

- (1) Includes overweight kips.
- (2) Domestic on hand includes domestic in transit.
- (3) Figures include East India Tanned.
- (4) Includes 2,528 horse fronts.
- (5) Includes 1,347 horse fronts.
- (6) Includes 664 horse fronts.

3. Finished Leathers

	September 1952	August 1953	September 1953
1. <u>Cattle Leather</u>			
Sole Leather - pounds			
Production	1,161,519	1,083,195	1,353,583
Deliveries - Domestic	1,209,584	1,001,111	1,047,592
Export	51,988	116,677	128,372
Total	1,261,572	1,117,788	1,175,964

3. FINISHED LEATHERS - (Continued)

	September 1952	August 1953	September 1953
Upper Leather (1) (Sq. Ft.)			
Production	4,567,311	3,872,146	3,755,007
Deliveries - Domestic	4,036,696	3,161,188	2,842,765
- Export	578,298	638,473	815,976
- Total	4,614,994	3,799,661	3,658,741
Finished Stock on Hand	2,197,429	3,062,418	3,158,684
Glove and Garment Leather - Sq. Ft.			
Production	426,890	461,151	634,310
Deliveries - Domestic	435,479	345,275	453,434
- Export	604	98,674	107,036
- Total	436,083	443,949	560,470
Finished Stock on Hand	184,246	367,787	441,627
Bag, Case and Strap Leather - Sides			
Production	10,751	9,309	10,641
Deliveries - Domestic	10,360	7,450	10,007
- Export	130	1,632	325
- Total	10,490	9,082	10,332
Finished Stock on Hand	3,382	1,221	1,530
Harness Leather - Sides			
Production	2,028	2,647	3,522
Deliveries - Domestic	3,506	3,055	3,316
- Export	-	-	-
- Total	3,506	3,055	3,316
Finished Stock on Hand	15,790	788	994
Belting Leather - Butt Bends			
Production	821	848	1,147
Deliveries - Domestic	1,078	1,146	1,065
- Export	-	-	-
- Total	1,078	1,146	1,065
Finished Stock on Hand	5,444	7,056	7,138
2. Calf and Kip Skins Upper-Sq. ft.			
Production	738,266	720,923	673,328
Deliveries - Domestic	685,836	511,992	404,051
- Export	156,972	248,166	264,801
- Total	842,808	760,158	668,852
Finished Stock on Hand	2,002,768	1,559,102	1,563,578

(1) Figures include overweight kips and patent leather.



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3. FINISHED LEATHERS - (Concluded)

	September 1952	August 1953	September 1953
3. <u>Goat and Kid Leather - Skins</u>			
Production	20,983	6,375	9,828
Deliveries - Domestic	22,335	6,374	14,285
- Export	-	-	-
- Total	22,335	6,374	14,285
Finished Stock on Hand	81,587	32,702	28,245

4. Sheep and Lamb Leather

Glove and Garment Leather - doz. skins			
Production	5,137	3,427	3,594
Deliveries - Domestic	5,374	3,613	3,648
- Export	-	-	-
- Total	5,374	3,613	3,648
Finished Stock on Hand	2,982	2,127	2,073

Shoe Leather - doz. skins

Production	2,277	1,941	2,082
Deliveries - Domestic	2,534	2,176	2,021
- Export	-	-	-
- Total	2,534	2,176	2,021
Finished Stock on Hand	4,543	4,216	4,277

5. Horse Leather

Glove and Garment Leather - sq. ft.

Production	185,503	188,776	119,255
Deliveries - Domestic	247,323	149,381	119,653
- Export	-	59,887	21,803
- Total	247,323	209,268	141,456
Finished Stock on Hand	213,422	89,528	67,327