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STATISTICS OF HIDES, SKINS AND LEATHER

Wettings of all types of hides and skins, with the exception of calf and kip skins showed increases over the previous month. As compared with January 1953, there were decreases in all classes except calf and kip skins.

Stocks of raw cattle hides registered a decrease of 0.1 p.c. compared with the previous month and an increase of 14.4 p.c. compared with January 1953.

Production of sole leather in January, at 1,246,618 lb. was 7.1 p.c. under the 1,342,572 lb. recorded for December; total deliveries at 1,121,594 lb. were 1.0 p.c. under the December figure of 1,132,755 lb. Cattle upper leather production was 4,060,187 sq. ft., 2.6 p.c. under the 4,169,221 sq. ft. in December; total deliveries at 3,974,312 sq. ft. were 3.9 p.c. under the 4,134,224 sq. ft. in December. Calf and kip upper leather production was 1,083,227 sq. ft., 16.1 p.c. over the 933,116 sq. ft. in December and total deliveries at 900,268 sq. ft. were 0.9 p.c. under the 908,678 sq. ft. in December.

1. WETTINGS OF HIDES AND SKINS

	January 1953	December 1953	January 1954
Cattle Hides = number	187,937	158,621	163,001
Calf and Kip Skins = number	70,965	74,703	71,619
Goat and Kid Skins = number	33,892	10,725	14,902
Sheep and Lamb Skins .. = dozens	10,856	6,990	7,209
Horse Hides = number	433	-	-
Fronts = number	5,596	4,141	5,028
Butts = number	6,415	600	3,320
Cowhide bellies = number	27,675	9,996	10,620

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

	January 31, 1953	December 31, 1953	January 31, 1954
Cattle Hides (1) - (number)			
Domestic (2) - Packer	311,146	345,745	343,974
Country	118,747	129,103	130,572
Total	429,893	474,848	474,546
Foreign	28,062	49,725	49,320
Cattle Hides, Total	457,955	524,573	523,866
Calf and Kip Skins - (number)			
Domestic (2) Packer	157,802	202,487	179,266
Country	116,289	94,247	76,654
Total	274,091	296,734	255,920
Foreign	105,475	111,360	92,601
Calf and Kip Skins, Total	379,566	408,094	348,521
Goat and Kid Skins (3) (number) ..	59,776	36,556	21,649
Sheep and Lamb Skins (3) (dozens).	48,351	42,006	43,662
Horse Hides (number)	(4) 44,485	(5) 17,736	(6) 16,112

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

Cattle Hides (1)	- number	2,819	2,476	2,965
Calf and Kip Skins	- number	19,355	-	-
Goat and Kid Skins (3) ..	- number	-	-	-
Sheep and Lamb Skins (3).	- dozens	-	-	190
Horse Hides	- number	-	-	-

- (1) Includes overweight kips.
- (2) Domestic on hand includes domestic in transit.
- (3) Figures include East India Tanned.
- (4) Includes 6,354 horse fronts.
- (5) Includes 5,849 horse fronts.
- (6) Includes 4,305 horse fronts.

3. Finished Leathers

	January 1953	December 1953	January 1954
<u>1. Cattle Leather</u>			
Sole Leather - pounds			
Production	1,393,660	1,342,572	1,246,618
Deliveries - Domestic	1,130,838	979,757	1,017,849
Export .	90,751	152,998	103,745
Total ..	1,221,589	1,132,755	1,121,594

3. FINISHED LEATHERS - (Continued)

	January 1953	December 1953	January 1954
Upper Leather (1) Sq. Ft.)			
Production	4,675,035	4,169,221	4,060,187
Deliveries - Domestic	3,945,212	3,360,848	3,342,342
- Export	895,288	773,376	631,970
- Total	4,840,500	4,134,224	3,974,312
Finished Stock on Hand	2,451,203	3,284,294	3,370,169
Glove and Garment Leather - Sq. ft.			
Production	386,398	558,484	368,791
Deliveries - Domestic	298,583	301,156	308,491
- Export	35,336	118,886	123,956
- Total	333,919	420,042	432,447
Finished Stock on Hand	181,279	524,836	461,180
Bag, Case and Strap Leather - Sides			
Production	9,767	8,936	7,315
Deliveries - Domestic	9,277	7,300	6,750
- Export	855	210	586
- Total	10,132	7,510	7,336
Finished Stock on Hand	4,524	1,777	1,756
Harness Leather - Sides			
Production	2,798	2,066	2,071
Deliveries - Domestic	2,677	1,926	1,950
- Export	-	-	-
- Total	2,677	1,926	1,950
Finished Stock on Hand	1,432	19	140
Belting Leather - Butt Bends			
Production	1,809	1,091	1,058
Deliveries - Domestic	941	433	1,063
- Export	-	-	-
- Total	941	433	1,063
Finished Stock on Hand	5,968	6,895	6,890
2. Calf and Kip Skins Upper - Sq. ft.			
Production	800,472	933,116	1,083,227
Deliveries - Domestic	652,373	607,132	549,636
- Export	112,774	301,546	350,632
- Total	765,147	908,678	900,268
Finished Stock on Hand	1,405,006	1,484,798	1,667,757

(1) Figures include overweight kips and patent leather.



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3. FINISHED LEATHERS - (Concluded)

	January 1953	December 1953	January 1954
<u>3. Goat and Kid Leather - Skins</u>			
Production	29,972	9,752	10,986
Deliveries - Domestic	33,245	15,408	9,882
- Export	-	-	-
- Total	33,245	15,408	9,882
Finished Stock on Hand	54,530	17,089	18,193

4. Sheep and Lamb Leather

Glove and Garment Leather - doz. skins			
Production	5,407	4,006	2,892
Deliveries - Domestic	4,908	3,461	3,099
- Export	-	-	-
- Total	4,908	3,461	3,099
Finished Stock on Hand	3,677	2,965	2,758

Shoe Leather - doz. skins

Production	4,113	2,821	1,919
Deliveries - Domestic	4,024	2,729	2,006
- Export	-	-	-
- Total	4,024	2,729	2,006
Finished Stock on Hand	4,160	3,796	3,709

5. Horse Leather

Glove and Garment Leather - sq. ft.			
Production	211,238	110,320	147,260
Deliveries - Domestic	168,044	99,691	149,116
- Export	-	6,265	-
- Total	168,044	105,956	149,116
Finished Stock on Hand	196,529	91,291	89,435