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STATISTICS OF HIDES, SKINS AND LEATHER

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

Stocks of raw cattle hides registered a decrease of 6.5 p.c. compared with the previous month and an increase of 32.4 p.c. compared with May, 1953.

Production of sole leather in May, at 1,107,974 lb. was 10.2 p.c. under the 1,233,454 lb. recorded for April; total deliveries at 1,243,189 lb. were 1.0 p.c. under the April figure of 1,255,908 lb. Cattle upper leather production was 4,201,399 sq. ft., 3.0 p.c. over the 4,079,004 sq. ft. in April; total deliveries at 4,031,343 sq. ft. were 0.5 p.c. over the 4,009,890 sq. ft. in April. Calf and kip upper leather production was 777,297 sq. ft., 9.1 p.c. under the 855,192 sq. ft. in April and total deliveries at 825,194 sq. ft. were 31.3 p.c. over the 628,615 sq. ft. in April.

1. WETTINGS OF HIDES AND SKINS

	May 1953	April 1954	May 1954
Cattle Hides	185,019	160,432	165,911
Calf and Kip Skins.....	75,489	45,854	81,140
Goat and Kid Skins.....	6,740	2,190	6,897
Sheep and Lamb Skins.....	9,853	7,961	8,716
Horse Hides.....	-	-	12
Fronts.....	5,326	2,820	4,668
Butts.....	1,985	1,000	1,248
Cowhide bellies.....	22,083	11,225	9,162

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

	May	April	May
	31, 1953	30, 1954	31, 1954
Cattle Hides (1) - (number)			
Domestic (2) - Packer	265,563	343,005	338,392
Country	112,028	179,248	162,888
Total	377,591	522,253	501,280
Foreign.....	23,881	46,505	30,397
Cattle Hides, Total	401,472	568,758	531,677
Calf and Kip Skins - (number)			
Domestic (2) Packer	204,250	201,557	260,686
Country	83,846	185,441	146,576
Total	288,096	386,998	407,262
Foreign.....	40,907	77,775	64,497
Calf and Kip Skins, Total	329,003	464,773	471,759
Goat and Kid Skins (3) (number) ..	35,709	8,767	10,298
Sheep and Lamb Skins (3) (dozens) .	26,126	33,071	37,584
Horse Hides (number)	(4) 10,532	(5) 14,779	(6) 13,483

Foreign Hides and Skins in Transit

(Not included in above)

Cattle Hides (1)	- number	2,198	1,000	3,500
Calf and Kip Skins	- number	-	-	-
Goat and Kid Skins (3) ..	- number	-	-	-
Sheep and Lamb Skins (3) ..	- dozens	2,500	2,000	-
Horse Hides	- number	-	-	-

- (1) Includes overweight kips.
- (2) Domestic on hand includes domestic in transit.
- (3) Figures include East India Tanned.
- (4) Includes 1,830 horse fronts.
- (5) Includes 5,982 horse fronts.
- (6) Includes 4,485 horse fronts.

3. Finished Leathers

	May	April	May
	1953	1954	1954
1. <u>Cattle Leather</u>			
Sole Leather - pounds			
Production	1,353,949	1,233,454	1,107,974
Deliveries - Domestic	1,125,481	1,162,490	997,979
- Export	271,989	93,418	245,210
- Total	1,397,470	1,255,908	1,243,189

3. FINISHED LEATHERS - (Continued)

	May 1953	April 1954	May 1954
<u>Upper Leather (1) (Sq. ft.)</u>			
Production	4,529,847	4,079,004	4,201,399
Deliveries - Domestic	3,536,439	3,153,617	3,342,623
- Export	848,789	856,273	688,720
- Total	4,385,228	4,009,890	4,031,343
Finished Stock on Hand	2,856,134	3,332,415	3,502,471
<u>Glove and Garment Leather - Sq. ft.</u>			
Production	445,610	460,123	452,549
Deliveries - Domestic	339,924	388,242	375,520
- Export	89,129	134,478	100,807
- Total	429,053	522,720	476,327
Finished Stock on Hand	307,644	392,836	369,058
<u>Bag, Case and Strap Leather - Sides</u>			
Production	8,466	7,407	8,104
Deliveries - Domestic	7,869	6,370	7,283
- Export	272	864	683
- Total	8,141	7,234	7,966
Finished Stock on Hand	1,143	1,507	1,645
<u>Harness Leather - Sides</u>			
Production	2,316	1,953	2,046
Deliveries - Domestic	2,327	1,959	2,017
- Export	-	-	-
- Total	2,327	1,959	2,017
Finished Stock on Hand	1,152	15	44
<u>Belting Leather - Butt Bends</u>			
Production.....	2,594	328	715
Deliveries - Domestic	1,106	630	987
- Export	-	-	-
- Total	1,106	630	987
Finished Stock on Hand	7,244	5,730	5,458
<u>2. Calf and Kip Skins Upper - Sq. ft.</u>			
Production	684,408	855,192	777,297
Deliveries - Domestic	603,480	370,985	560,418
- Export	92,041	257,630	264,776
- Total	695,521	628,615	825,194
Finished Stock on Hand	1,596,205	2,018,141	1,970,244

(1) Figures include overweight kips and patent leather



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3. FINISHED LEATHERS - (Concluded)

	May 1953	April 1954	May 1954
3. <u>Goat and Kid Leather - Skins</u>			
Production	6,289	5,546	2,140
Deliveries - Domestic	8,981	4,364	3,334
- Export	-	-	-
- Total	8,981	4,364	3,334
Finished Stock on Hand	35,993	12,988	11,794

4. Sheep and Lamb Leather

Glove and Garment Leather - doz. skins			
Production	4,261	4,245	3,664
Deliveries - Domestic	4,007	3,851	3,765
- Export	-	-	-
- Total	4,007	3,851	3,765
Finished Stock on Hand	2,851	2,933	2,832

Shoe Leather - doz. skins

Production	2,679	2,940	2,194
Deliveries - Domestic	3,001	2,985	1,986
- Export	-	-	-
- Total	3,001	2,985	1,986
Finished Stock on Hand	3,987	4,173	4,381

5. Horse Leather

Glove and Garment Leather - sq. ft.

Production	150,795	112,512	97,707
Deliveries - Domestic	186,112	106,283	82,659
- Export	232	-	-
- Total	186,344	106,283	82,659
Finished Stock on Hand	108,984	105,433	120,481