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STATISTICS OF HIDES, SKINS AND LEATHER

Wettings of all types of hides and skins, with the exception of cattle hides and cowhide bellies showed decreases from the previous month. As compared with June 1953, there were decreases in all classes except cattle hides.

Stocks of raw cattle hides registered a decrease of 2.1 p.c. compared with the previous month and an increase of 25.5 p.c. compared with June 1953.

Production of sole leather in June, at 1,187,354 lb. was 7.2 p.c. over the 1,107,974 lb. recorded for May; total deliveries at 1,107,149 lb. were 10.9 p.c. under the May figure of 1,243,189 lb. Cattle upper leather production was 4,732,862 sq. ft., 12.6 p.c. over the 4,201,399 sq. ft. in May; total deliveries at 4,566,911 sq. ft. were 13.3 p.c. over the 4,031,343 sq. ft. in May. Calf and kip upper leather production was 926,687 sq. ft., 19.2 p.c. over the 777,297 sq. ft. in May and total deliveries at 795,975 sq. ft. were 3.5 p.c. under the 825,194 sq. ft. in May.

1. WETTINGS OF HIDES AND SKINS

	June 1953	May 1954	June 1954
Cattle Hides - number	167,164	165,911	169,144
Calf and Kip Skins..... - number	59,755	81,140	57,870
Goat and Kid Skins..... - number	5,226	6,897	2,556
Sheep and Lamb Skins..... - dozens	8,277	8,716	7,917
Horse Hides..... - number	-	12	-
Fronts - number	3,962	4,668	2,278
Butts - number	3,746	1,248	-
Cowhide bellies - number	16,539	9,162	9,924

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

	June 30, 1953	May 31, 1954	June 30, 1954
Cattle Hides (1) - (number)			
Domestic (2) - Packer	285,050	338,392	339,627
Country	103,304	162,888	159,645
Total	388,354	501,280	499,272
Foreign	26,258	30,397	20,970
Cattle Hides, Total.....	414,612	531,677	520,242
Calf and Kip Skins - (number)			
Domestic (2) Packer.....	254,945	260,686	292,759
Country	73,943	146,576	155,305
Total	328,888	407,262	448,064
Foreign	52,667	64,497	63,105
Calf and Kip Skins, Total	381,555	471,759	511,169
Goat and Kid Skins (3) (number)	37,199	10,298	11,336
Sheep and Lamb Skins (3) (dozens) ..	21,792	37,584	34,130
Horse Hides (number)	(4) 7,184	(5) 13,483	(6) 16,761

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

Cattle Hides (1)	500	3,500	2,278
Calf and Kip Skins	-	-	-
Goat and Kid Skins (3) ..	-	-	-
Sheep and Lamb Skins (3) - dozens	2,500	-	540
Horse Hides.....	-	-	-

- (1) Includes overweight kips.
- (2) Domestic on hand includes domestic in transit.
- (3) Figures include East India Tanned.
- (4) Includes 754 horse fronts.
- (5) Includes 4,485 horse fronts.
- (6) Includes 6,856 horse fronts.

3. Finished Leathers

	June 1953	May 1954	June 1954
1. <u>Cattle Leather</u>			
Sole Leather - pounds			
Production	1,306,344	1,107,974	1,187,354
Deliveries - Domestic	1,205,327	997,979	959,044
- Export	109,320	245,210	148,105
- Total	1,314,647	1,243,189	1,107,149

3. FINISHED LEATHERS - (Continued)

	June 1953	May 1954	June 1954
Upper Leather (1) (Sq. ft.)			
Production	4,619,530	4,201,399	4,732,862
Deliveries - Domestic	3,721,539	3,342,623	3,759,903
- Export	846,436	688,720	807,008
- Total	4,567,975	4,031,343	4,566,911
Finished Stock on Hand	2,907,689	3,502,471	3,668,422
Glove and Garment Leather - Sq. ft.			
Production	540,467	452,549	522,056
Deliveries - Domestic	480,675	375,520	416,988
- Export	48,101	100,807	119,262
- Total	528,776	476,327	536,250
Finished Stock on Hand	319,335	369,058	354,864
Bag, Case and Strap Leather - Sides			
Production	8,706	8,104	8,801
Deliveries - Domestic	8,532	7,283	8,184
- Export	407	683	422
- Total	8,939	7,966	8,606
Finished Stock on Hand	910	1,645	1,840
Harness Leather - Sides			
Production	3,000	2,046	2,424
Deliveries - Domestic	2,624	2,017	2,414
- Export	-	-	-
- Total	2,624	2,017	2,414
Finished Stock on Hand	1,528	44	54
Belting Leather - Butt Bends			
Production	2,275	715	600
Deliveries - Domestic	1,566	987	644
- Export	-	-	-
- Total	1,566	987	644
Finished Stock on Hand	7,853	5,458	5,414
2. Calf and Kip Skins Upper - Sq. ft.			
Production	597,048	777,297	926,687
Deliveries - Domestic	468,277	560,418	575,379
- Export	125,717	264,776	220,596
- Total	593,994	825,194	795,975
Finished Stock on Hand	1,599,259	1,970,244	2,100,956

(1) Figures include overweight kips and patent leather



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3. FINISHED LEATHERS - (Concluded)

	June 1953	May 1954	June 1954
<u>3. Goat and Kid Leather - Skins</u>			
Production	5,214	2,140	6,478
Deliveries - Domestic	8,815	3,334	6,284
- Export	-	-	-
- Total	8,815	3,334	6,284
Finished Stock on Hand	32,392	11,794	11,988

4. Sheep and Lamb Leather

Glove and Garment Leather - doz. skins			
Production	3,381	3,664	3,477
Deliveries - Domestic	3,924	3,765	3,640
- Export	-	-	-
- Total	3,924	3,765	3,640
Finished Stock on Hand	2,308	2,832	2,669

Shoe Leather - doz. skins

Production	3,144	2,194	2,804
Deliveries - Domestic	3,032	1,986	3,148
- Export	-	-	-
- Total	3,032	1,986	3,148
Finished Stock on Hand	4,099	4,381	4,037

5. Horse Leather

Glove and Garment Leather - sq. ft.

Production	158,753	97,707	107,538
Deliveries - Domestic	164,186	82,659	150,998
- Export	-	-	-
- Total	164,186	82,659	150,998
Finished Stock on Hand	103,551	120,481	77,021