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## STATISTICS OF HIDES, SKINS AND LEATHER

Wettings in May of cattle hides, calf and kip skins, sheep and lamb skins and cowhide bellies showed increases over the previous month. As compared with May 1956, calf and kip skins, sheep and lamb skins and cowhide bellies showed increases.

Stocks of raw cattle hides registered a decrease of 6.1 p.c. compared with the previous month and an increase of 5.1 p.c. compared with May 1956.

Production of sole leather in May, at 1,199,666 lb. was 18.7 p.c. over the 1,011,041 lb. recorded for April; total deliveries at 1,061,850 lb. were 0.2 p.c. under the April figure of 1,064,022 lb. Cattle upper leather production was 5,189,076 sq. ft., 2.3 p.c. over the 5,070,173 sq. ft. in April; total deliveries at 5,049,184 sq. ft. were 4.8 p.c. over the 4,816,878 sq. ft. in April. Calf and kip upper leather production was 893,231 sq. ft., 19.7 p.c. over the 746,126 sq. ft. in April and total deliveries at 964,336 sq. ft. were 50.7 p.c. over the 639,842 sq. ft. in April.

### 1. WETTINGS OF HIDES AND SKINS

	May 1956	April 1957	May 1957
Cattle Hides ..... - number	214,102	192,076	205,242
Calf and Kip Skins ..... - number	63,712	85,019	110,643
Goat and Kid Skins ..... - number	10,812	8,699	7,818
Sheep and Lamb Skins ..... - dozens	9,712	8,842	10,288
Horse Fronts ..... - number	7,083	4,321	4,283
Butts ..... - number	-	300	-
Cowhide Bellies ..... - number	25,534	22,303	39,837

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

	May 31, 1956	April 30, 1957	May 31, 1957
<b>Cattle Hides (1) - Number</b>			
Domestic (2) - Packer .....	341,033	386,926	374,997
Country .....	125,214	138,694	122,042
Total .....	466,247	525,620	497,039
Foreign .....	71,397	76,540	68,367
Cattle Hides, Total .....	537,644	602,160	565,406
<b>Calf and Kip Skins - (number)</b>			
Domestic (2) - Packer .....	246,014	217,141	242,539
Country .....	94,667	73,290	70,007
Total .....	340,681	290,431	312,546
Foreign .....	284,748	134,473	141,469
Calf and Kip Skins, Total .....	625,429	424,904	454,015
Goat and Kid Skins (3) (number) .....	39,655	58,992	53,384
Sheep and Lamb Skins (3) (dozens) .....	34,713	43,898	42,479
Horse Hides (number) .....	(4) 10,140	(5) 17,415	(6) 16,223

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

Cattle Hides (1) .....	number	1,015	2,500	2,263
Calf and Kip Skins .....	number	500	-	-
Goat and Kid Skins (3) .....	number	-	-	-
Sheep and Lamb Skins (3) .....	dozens	1,525	-	-
Horse Hides .....	number	-	-	-

- (1) Includes overweight kips.
- (2) Domestic on hand includes domestic in transit.
- (3) Figures include East India Tanned.
- (4) Includes 4,196 horse fronts.
- (5) Includes 11,218 horse fronts.
- (6) Includes 11,376 horse fronts.

3. FINISHED LEATHER

	May 1956	April 1957	May 1957
<b>1. Cattle Leather</b>			
Sole leather - pounds			
Production .....	1,194,437	1,011,041	1,199,666
Deliveries - Domestic .....	1,061,742	1,009,241	961,118
- Export .....	61,011	54,781	100,732
- Total .....	1,122,753	1,064,022	1,061,850

3. FINISHED LEATHERS - (Continued)

	May 1956	April 1957	May 1957
<b>Upper Leather (1) (Sq. ft.)</b>			
Production .....	5,542,402	5,070,173	5,189,076
Deliveries - Domestic .....	4,353,030	3,403,641	3,852,175
- Export .....	1,503,158	1,413,237	1,197,009
- Total .....	5,856,188	4,816,878	5,049,184
Finished Stock on Hand .....	2,516,689	3,921,477	4,061,369
<b>Glove and Garment Leather - Sq. ft.</b>			
Production .....	952,423	1,028,316	796,491
Deliveries - Domestic .....	752,750	623,226	693,289
- Export .....	143,535	69,311	97,739
- Total .....	896,285	692,537	791,028
Finished Stock on Hand .....	387,367	1,058,893	1,064,356
<b>Bag, Case and Strap Leather - Sides</b>			
Production .....	8,783	6,887	7,585
Deliveries - Domestic .....	8,361	6,537	7,229
- Export .....	381	350	304
- Total .....	8,742	6,887	7,533
Finished Stock on Hand .....	77	24	76
<b>Belting Leather - Butt Bends</b>			
Production .....	1,826	1,189	1,292
Deliveries - Domestic .....	1,331	857	922
- Export .....	-	-	-
- Total .....	1,331	857	922
Finished Stock on Hand .....	5,027	4,925	5,295
<b>2. Calf and Kip Skins Upper - Sq. ft.</b>			
Production .....	702,088	746,126	893,231
Deliveries - Domestic .....	435,133	461,287	704,889
- Export .....	274,771	178,555	259,447
- Total .....	709,904	639,842	964,336
Finished Stock on Hand .....	1,492,887	1,702,348	1,631,243

(1) Figures include overweight kip and patent leather.



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3. FINISHED LEATHERS - (Concluded)

	May 1956	April 1957	May 1957
<b>3. <u>Goat and Kid Leather - Skins</u></b>			
Production .....	6,963	7,500	5,261
Deliveries - Domestic .....	6,855	7,104	5,261
- Export .....	-	-	-
- Total .....	6,855	7,104	5,261
Finished Stock on Hand .....	1,060	924	924
<b>4. <u>Sheep and Lamb Leather</u></b>			
Glove and Garment Leather doz. skins			
Production .....	6,546	2,540	6,192
Deliveries - Domestic .....	5,750	6,531	5,199
- Export .....	-	-	-
- Total .....	5,750	6,531	5,199
Finished Stock on Hand .....	4,791	1,309	2,302
Shoe Leather - Doz. skins			
Production .....	1,378	3,862	1,874
Deliveries - Domestic .....	1,388	1,414	1,694
- Export .....	-	-	-
- Total .....	1,388	1,414	1,694
Finished Stock on Hand .....	1,497	3,249	3,429
<b>5. <u>Horse Leather</u></b>			
Glove and Garment Leather - Sq. ft.			
Production .....	107,188	130,227	130,048
Deliveries - Domestic .....	86,301	119,531	145,007
- Export .....	5,823	5,875	4,834
- Total .....	92,124	125,406	149,841
Finished Stock on Hand .....	116,567	156,677	136,884