



STATISTICS OF HIDES, SKINS AND LEATHER

Wettings in December of all types of hides showed decreases from the previous month. As compared with December 1957, cattle hides increased.

Stocks of raw cattle hides registered a decrease of 1.4 p.c. compared with the previous month and a decrease of 30.1 p.c. compared with December 1957.

Production of sole leather in December, at 1,069,377 lb. was 13.4 p.c. over the 942,961 lb. recorded for November; total deliveries at 1,019,961 lb. were 0.5 p.c. over the November figure of 1,014,616 lb. Cattle upper leather production was 6,424,059 sq. ft., 8.9 p.c. over the 5,901,448 sq. ft. in November; total deliveries at 6,150,087 sq. ft. were 2.8 p.c. under the 6,326,407 sq. ft. in November. Calf and kip upper leather production was 850,726 sq. ft., 29.6 p.c. under the 1,207,756 sq. ft. in November and total deliveries at 1,251,855 sq. ft. were 4.9 p.c. under the 1,316,548 sq. ft. in November.

1. WETTINGS OF HIDES AND SKINS

	December 1957	November 1958	December 1958
Cattle Hides - number	183,303	205,536	205,454
Calf and Kip Skins - number	97,756	96,917	69,390
Sheep and Lamb Skins - dozens	7,758	8,689	6,343

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

	December 31, 1957	November 30, 1958	December 31, 1958
Cattle Hides (1) - Number			
Domestic (2) - Packer	381,787	304,134	287,616
- Country	121,145	65,454	65,693
Total	502,932	369,588	353,309
Foreign	47,550	20,570	31,591
Cattle Hides Total	550,482	390,258	384,900

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2. STOCKS OF RAW HIDES AND SKINS HELD BY TANNERS, PACKERS AND DEALERS (Cont'd)

	December 31, 1957	November 30, 1958	December 31, 1958
Calf and Kip Skins - (number)			
- Packer	219,887	122,066	102,668
- Country	57,301	18,620	20,903
Total	277,188	140,686	123,571
Foreign	160,107	107,275	91,570
Calf and Kip Skins, Total	437,295	247,961	215,141
Goat and Kid Skins (3) (number)	37,817	19,503	18,889
Sheep and Lamb Skins (3) (dozens)	55,662	40,672	39,262
Horse Hides (number) (4)	10,351	4,942	4,037

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

3. FINISHED LEATHER

	December 1957	November 1958	December 1958
1. Cattle Leather			
Sole leather - pounds			
Production	990,770	942,961	1,069,377
Deliveries - Domestic	835,373	988,117	1,006,523
- Export	62,462	26,499	13,438
- Total	897,835	1,014,616	1,019,961
Upper Leather (1) (sq. ft.)			
Production	5,610,470	5,901,448	6,424,059
Deliveries - Domestic	3,765,939	4,846,595	4,824,530
- Export	1,499,987	1,479,812	1,325,557
- Total	5,265,926	6,326,407	6,150,087
Finished Stock on Hand	4,365,000	4,048,407	4,322,379
Glove and Garment Leather - Sq. ft.			
Production	759,683	683,092	663,304
Deliveries - Domestic	364,525	581,751	549,024
- Export	191,184	181,103	160,127
- Total	555,709	762,854	709,151
Finished Stock on Hand	1,636,611	1,116,196	1,070,349

- (1) Figures include overweight kip and patent leather.

3. FINISHED LEATHERS (Concluded)

	December 1957	November 1958	December 1958
Bag, Case and Strap Leather - Sides			
Production	6,452	8,514	5,485
Deliveries - Domestic	5,866	7,996	5,214
- Export	657	448	302
- Total	6,523	8,444	5,516
Finished Stock on Hand	285	112	81

2. Calf and Kip Skins Upper - Sq. ft.

Production	1,109,483	1,207,756	850,726
Deliveries - Domestic	662,532	778,910	629,235
- Export	383,690	537,638	622,620
- Total	1,046,222	1,316,548	1,251,855
Finished Stock on Hand	1,755,717	1,666,403	1,265,274

3. Sheep and Lamb Leather

Shoe, Glove and Garment Leather Doz. skins

Production	6,170	6,604	6,183
Deliveries - Domestic	5,148	6,650	9,666
- Export	-	-	-
- Total	5,148	6,650	9,666
Finished Stock on Hand	9,690	10,554	7,071

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