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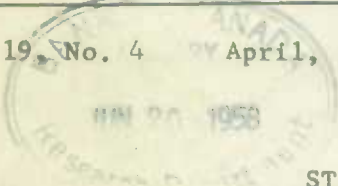
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STATISTICS OF HIDES, SKINS AND LEATHER

Wettings in April of all types of hides and skins with the exception of sheep and lamb skins showed decreases from the previous month. As compared with April 1957, there were decreases in all classes.

Stocks of raw cattle hides registered a decrease of 0.3 p.c. compared with the previous month and a decrease of 20.5 p.c. compared with April 1957.

Production of sole leather in April, at 950,197 lb. was 12.8 p.c. over the 842,637 lb. recorded for March; total deliveries at 1,024,190 lb. were 1.1 p.c. over the March figure of 1,012,587 lb. Cattle upper leather production was 5,082,198 sq. ft., 0.7 p.c. under the 5,119,981 sq. ft. in March; total deliveries at 4,399,577 sq. ft. were 1.5 p.c. over the 4,828,177 sq. ft. in March. Calf and kip upper leather production was 875,277 sq. ft., 2.5 p.c. under the 897,557 sq. ft. in March and total deliveries at 786,021 sq. ft. were 2.9 p.c. over the 763,908 sq. ft. in March.

1. WETTINGS OF HIDES AND SKINS

	April 1957	March 1958	April 1958
Cattle Hides - number	192,076	185,766	182,244
Calf and Kip Skins - number	85,019	78,867	73,623
Goat and kid Skins - number	8,699	9,320	4,819
Sheep and Lamb Skins - dozens	8,842	6,523	7,112

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

	April 30, 1957	March 31, 1958	April 30, 1958
Cattle Hides (1) - Number			
Domestic (2) - Packer	386,926	336,502	328,652
- Country	138,694	98,100	108,764
Total	525,620	434,602	437,416
Foreign	76,540	45,522	41,056
Cattle Hides Total	602,160	480,124	478,472
Calf and Kip Skins - (number)			
Domestic (2) - Packer	217,141	119,550	178,817
- Country	73,290	33,550	40,737
Total	290,431	153,100	219,554
Foreign	134,473	172,814	172,073
Calf and Kip Skins, Total	424,904	325,914	391,627
Goat and Kid Skins (3) (number) ...	58,992	18,662	22,196
Sheep and Lamb Skins (3) (dozens) ...	43,898	53,154	50,579
Horse Hides (number)	(4) 17,415	4,158	3,744

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

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

- (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

	April 1957	March 1958	April 1958
1. Cattle Leather			
Sole leather - pounds			
Production	1,011,041	842,637	950,197
Deliveries - Domestic	1,009,241	983,009	968,326
- Export	54,781	29,578	55,864
- Total	1,064,022	1,012,587	1,024,190

3. FINISHED LEATHERS - (Continued)

	April 1957	March 1958	April 1958
Upper Leather (1) (Sq. ft.)			
Production	5,070,173	5,119,981	5,082,198
Deliveries - Domestic	3,403,641	3,367,802	3,663,928
- Export	1,413,237	1,451,375	1,235,649
- Total	4,816,878	4,828,177	4,899,577
Finished Stock on Hand	3,921,477	4,002,048	(2)4,187,957
Glove and Garment Leather - Sq. ft.			
Production	1,028,316	694,146	500,310
Deliveries - Domestic	623,226	541,064	369,834
- Export	69,311	87,747	147,192
- Total	692,537	628,811	517,026
Finished Stock on Hand	1,058,893	1,514,435	(2)1,272,121
Bag, Case and Strap Leather - Sides			
Production	6,887	7,403	5,154
Deliveries - Domestic	6,537	6,802	4,571
- Export	350	486	585
- Total	6,887	7,288	5,156
Finished Stock on Hand	24	679	(2) 19
Belting Leather - Butt Bends			
Production	1,189	1,685	789
Deliveries - Domestic	857	1,669	471
- Export	-	-	-
- Total	857	1,669	471
Finished Stock on Hand	4,925	929	1,247
2. Calf and Kip Skins Upper - Sq. ft.			
Production	746,126	897,557	875,277
Deliveries - Domestic	461,287	531,220	510,966
- Export	178,555	232,688	275,055
- Total	639,842	763,908	786,021
Finished Stock on Hand	1,702,348	2,020,658	2,109,914

(1) Figures include overweight kip and patent leather.

(2) Discrepancy due to actual physical inventory.



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3. FINISHED LEATHERS - (Concluded)

	April 1957	March 1958	April 1958
3. Goat and Kid Leather - Skins			
Production	7,500	9,709	5,950
Deliveries - Domestic	7,104	10,043	5,422
- Export	-	-	-
- Total	7,104	10,043	5,422
Finished Stock on Hand	924	1,465	1,993

4. Sheep and Lamb Leather

Glove and Garment Leather Doz. skins

Production	2,540	3,747	3,157
Deliveries - Domestic	6,531	3,539	3,722
- Export	-	-	-
- Total	6,531	3,539	3,722
Finished Stock on Hand	1,309	10,597	10,032

Shoe Leather - Doz. Skins

Production	3,862	2,009	1,478
Deliveries - Domestic	1,414	1,927	1,411
- Export	-	-	-
- Total	1,414	1,927	1,411
Finished Stock on Hand	3,249	695	762