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STOCKS OF RAW HIDES AND SKINS IN CANADA

December, 1944

Stocks of raw cattle hides held by tanners, packers and dealers in Canada amounted to 497,361 at the end of December, 1944 compared with 523,110 at the end of November, 1944 and 482,903 at the end of December, 1943. Total stocks on hand at the end of December, 1944, were made up of 474,961 hides of domestic origin and 22,400 hides of foreign origin. The domestic stock included 329,391 packer or small packer and 145,570 country hides.

Calf and kip skins on hand increased from 352,639 at the end of November, 1944 to 456,258 at the end of December, 1944. Stocks of other types at the end of December, 1944, included 116,454 dozen sheep and lamb skins, 352,803 goat and kid skins and 24,735 horse hides.

Stocks on Hand

| | December 31, 1943 | | November 30, 1944 | | December 31, 1944 | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Cattle Hides -- | | | | | | |
| Domestic -- | | | | | 438,491 | |
| Packer | 305,298 | | 376,485 | | 329,391 | |
| Country | 119,394 | | 119,725 | | 145,570 | 584,061 |
| Domestic Total | | 424,692 | | 496,210 | | 474,961 |
| Foreign | | 58,211 | | 26,900 | | 22,400 |
| Cattle Hides, Total . | | 482,903 | | 523,110 | | 497,361 606,461 |
| Calf and Kip Skins -- | | | | | | |
| Domestic -- | | | | | | |
| Packer | 191,128 | | 172,289 | | 196,440 | |
| Country | 201,995 | | 146,391* | | 140,349(4) | |
| Domestic Total | | 393,123 | | 318,680* | | (4)336,789 |
| Foreign | | 127,215 | | 33,959 | | 119,469 |
| Calf and Kip Skins Total | | 520,338 | | 352,639* | | (4)456,258 |
| Sheep and Lamb Skins (Doz.) | | 91,712 | | 108,632 | | 116,454 |
| Goat and Kid Skins .. | | 82,744 | | 136,287 | | 352,803 |
| Horse Hides | | (1) 42,733 | | (2) 27,331 | | (3) 38,214 |

Note: In addition to the figures reported above, raw stocks of foreign origin in transit to Canadian tanners were reported at 10,798 cattle hides at the end of December, 1943, 7,030 at the end of November, 1944, and 10,020 at the end of December, 1944. There were no calf skins of foreign origin in transit to Canadian tanners at the end of December, 1943, whereas 65,450 were reported at the end of November, 1944, and 15,044 at the end of December, 1944.

- (1) Includes 10,572 fronts and 32,161 whole hides.
- (2) Includes 6,267 fronts and 21,064 whole hides.
- (3) Includes 13,479 fronts and 24,735 whole hides.
- (4) Subject to Revision.

* Revised.

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