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STATISTICS ON HIDES, SKINS AND LEATHER IN CANADA
DECEMBER, 1947

Stocks of raw cattle hides at the end of December, 1947 registered an increase of 13.5 p.c. compared with the previous month and an increase of 6.9 p.c. as compared with December 1946.

Wettings of all classes showed decreases with the exception of calf and kip skins, horse hides, and horse fronts, as compared with November. As compared with December, 1946, there were decreases in all classes except calf and kip skins, horse hides, horse butts and cowhide bellies.

Production of sole leather in December increased by 38,464 lbs. as compared with the November figures. Deliveries increased by 496,553 lbs. and finished stock on hand decreased by 208,641 lbs. In cattle upper leather production decreased by 129,741 sq.ft., deliveries by 496,684 sq. ft., while finished stock on hand increased by 431,418 sq. ft. In calf and kip upper leather production increased by 406,869 sq. ft., deliveries by 174,908 sq. ft., and finished stock on hand by 391.096 sq. ft.

Stocks of Raw Hides and Skins Held by Tanners, Packers & Dealers

	December 31,1946	November, 30,1947	December, 31,1947
Cattle hides (1) (number)			
Domestic - packer	500,204	426,167	488,485
- country	129,574	154,906	183,779
- Total	629,778	581,073	672,264
Foreign	17,928	28,7.3	20,420
Cattle Hides, total	647,706	609,806	692,684
Calf and Kip Skins-(number)			
Domestic - packer	201,509	190,280	196,010
- country	120,537	304,252	309,508
- Total	322,046	494,532	505,518
Foreign	251,836	153,510	213,289
Calf and kip skins, total	573,882	648,042	718,807
Goat and Kid skins (2) (number)	118,471	116,532	144,627
Sheep and Lamb Skins (2) (dozens)	85,149	68,477	76,512
Horse Hides (number)	32,980(3)	41,603(4)	59,638(5)

NOTE: Domestic on hand includes domestic in transit.

			(Foreign Hides & Skins in Transit not included in above)		
Cattle Hides (1)	- number	....	20,280	272	2,000
Calf and Kip Skins	- number	....	40,542	58,016	85,527
Goat and Kid Skins (2)	- number	....	156,956	6,000	-
Sheep and Lamb Skins (2)	- dozens	....	-	-	-
Horse Hides	- number	....	-	-	-

(1)   Includes overweight kips in 1947, previously with calf and kip skins.
(2)   1947 figures include East India Tanned.
(3)   Includes, 3,427 horse fronts.
(4)   Includes 19,062 horse fronts.
(5)   Includes 21,372 horse fronts.

Wettings of Hides and Skins

	December 31, 1946	November 30, 1947	December 31, 1947
Cattle Hides .... - number	202,454	192,278	192,227
Calf and Kip Skins .... - number	132,243	147,040	199,502
Goat and Kid Skins .... - number	84,216	86,556	69,546
Sheep and Lamb Skins .... - dozens	16,174	12,275	8,214
Horse Hides .... - number	2,445	1,328	7,068
Fronts .... - number	10,369	8,595	9,477
Butts .... - number	1,931	6,666	6,280
Cowhide bellies .... - number	34,096	64,403	58,639

Finished Leather

	December 31, 1946	November 30, 1947	December 31, 1947
1. Cattle Leather			
Sole Leather - pounds			
Production		2,211,969	2,250,433
Deliveries - Domestic		1,765,657	1,723,312
- export	(a)	176,100	714,998
- Total		1,941,757	2,438,310
Finished Stock on hand		3,033,199	2,829,558
Upper Leather - sq. ft. (1)			
Production	2,826,333	3,614,103	3,484,362
Deliveries - domestic	1,836,350	2,958,883	2,287,591
- export	255,099	590,745	765,353
- Total	2,091,449	3,549,628	3,052,944
Finished Stock on hand	1,799,055	843,536	1,274,954
Glove and Garment Leather - sq. ft.			
Production		242,909	414,352
Deliveries - domestic		209,340	336,058
- export	(a)	44,492	34,334
Total		253,832	370,392
Finished Stock on hand		65,702	109,662
Bag, Case and Strap Leather - sides			
Production	11,896	12,020	13,405
Deliveries - domestic	11,398	12,326	11,907
- export	354	117	678
Total	11,752	12,443	12,585
Finished Stock on hand	192	227	1,047
Harness Leather - sides			
Production	13,364	7,596	1,700
Deliveries - domestic	12,372	8,719	6,839
- export	-	-	-
Total	12,372	8,719	6,839
Finished Stock on hand	2,012	9,769	10,095

(a) Comparable figures for 1946 not available.

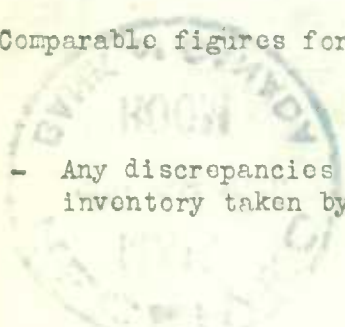(1) Figures for 1947 include overweight kips and patent leather.

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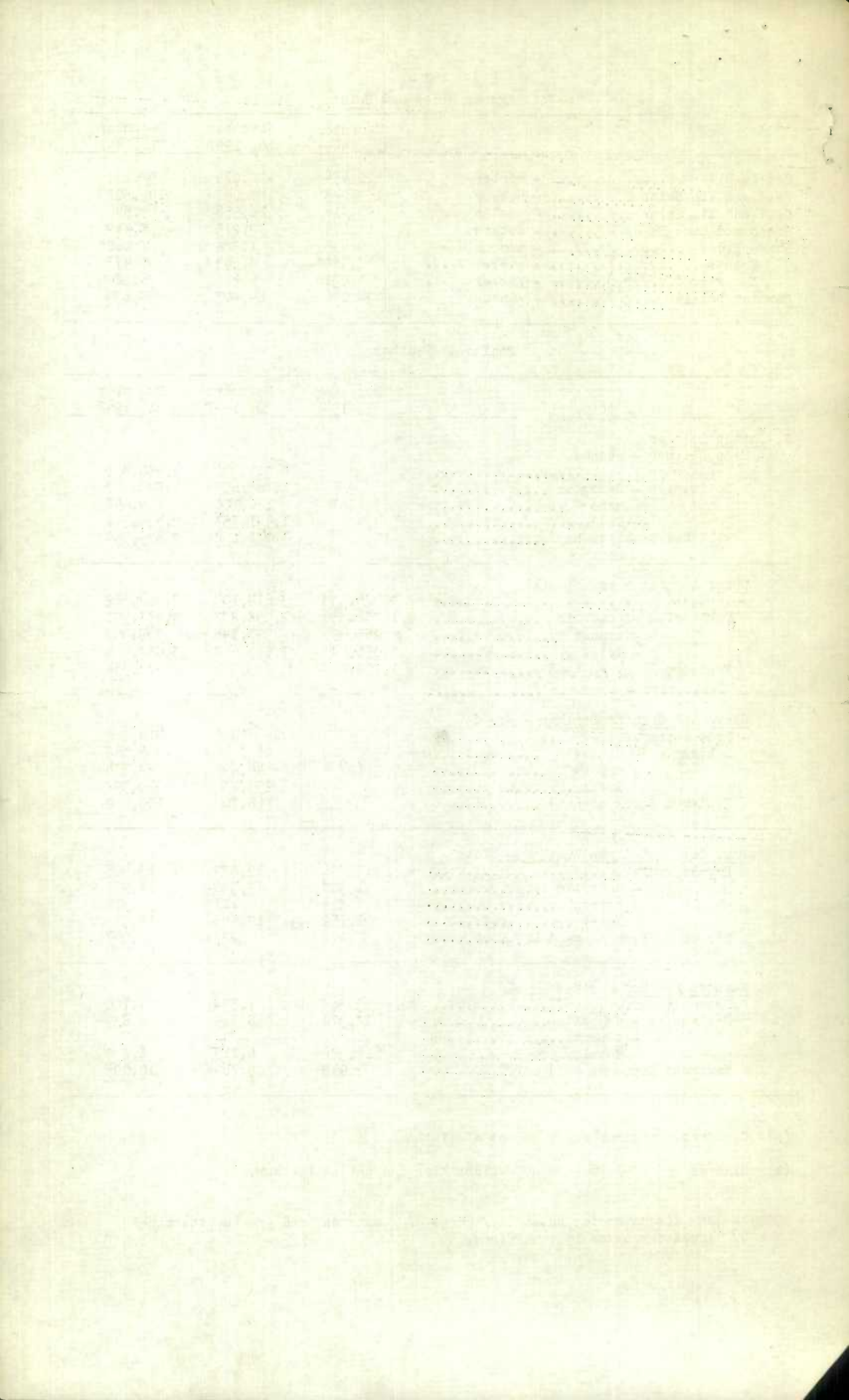
	December 1946	November 1947	December 1947
1. Cattle Leather - concl'd			
Belting Leather - butts & Butt bends			
Production	4,866	5,473	5,629
Deliveries - domestic	4,287	4,704	4,424
- export	—	—	—
Total	4,287	4,704	4,424
Finished Stock on hand	1,734	6,279	7,484
2. Calf and Kip Skin Upper Leather - sq. ft.			
Production	1,457,886	1,543,691	1,950,560
Deliveries - domestic	692,407	840,739	712,098
- export	659,666	543,817	847,366
Total	1,352,073	1,384,556	1,559,464
Finished Stock on hand	812,704	1,260,934	1,652,030
3. Goat and Kid Leather - Skins			
Production		76,081	70,751
Deliveries - domestic		82,324	58,363
- export	(a)	—	—
Total		82,324	58,363
Finished Stock on hand		9,498	21,884
4. Sheep and Lamb Leathers			
Glove and Garment Leathers - (doz. skins)			
Production		7,720	3,855
Deliveries - domestic		7,109	3,733
- export	(a)	278	68
Total		7,387	3,801
Finished Stock on hand		4,496	4,550
Shoe Leather - (Doz. skins)			
Production		2,902	4,568
Deliveries - domestic		2,809	1,432
- export	(a)	—	—
Total		2,809	1,432
Finished Stock on hand		2,246	5,382
5. Horse Leather			
Glove and Garment Leather - (sq. ft.)			
Production		434,252	504,430
Deliveries - domestic		324,507	343,775
- export	(a)	—	—
Total		324,507	343,775
Finished Stock on hand		301,649	462,304

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