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STATISTICS ON HIDES, SKINS AND LEATHER IN CANADA

December, 1948

Wettings of cattle hides, goat and kid skins, sheep and lamb skins, and horse fronts showed decreases from the previous month, while calf and kip skins, horse hides, horse butts and cowhide bellies showed increases. As compared with December, 1947 there were decreases in all classes except sheep and lamb skins.

Stocks of raw cattle hides at the end of December, 1948 registered an increase 3.2 p.c. as compared with the previous month and a decrease of 28.7 p.c. as compared with December, 1947.

Production of sole leather in December, as compared with November increased by 72,800 lbs, deliveries decreased by 327,757 lbs, while finished stock on hand increased by 172,846 lbs. In cattle upper leather production increased by 106,054 sq. ft., deliveries decreased by 152,939 sq. ft., while finished stock on hand increased by 249,534 sq. ft. In calf and kip upper leather production increased by 407,740 sq. ft., deliveries by 337,595 sq. ft., while finished stock on hand decreased by 318,096 sq. ft.

Wettings of Hides and Skins

	December 31, 1947	November 30, 1948	December 31, 1948
Cattle hides - number	192,227	161,693	161,249
Calf and Kip Skins - number	199,502	114,930	152,632
Goat and Kid Skins - number	69,546	62,117	37,555
Sheep and Lamb Skins - dozens	8,214	15,133	13,342
Horse Hides - number	7,068	707	1,689
Fronts - number	9,477	536	378
Butts - number	6,280	-	670
Cowhide bellies - number	58,639	21,089	21,913

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

	December 31, 1947	November 30, 1948	December 31, 1948
Cattle hides (1) (number)			
Domestic - packer	488,485	350,882	326,330
- country	183,779	96,852	131,586
- Total	672,264	447,734	457,916
Foreign	20,420	30,647	35,878
Cattle Hides, Total	692,684	478,381	493,794
Calf and Kip Skins - (number)			
Domestic - packer	196,010	328,509	249,167
- country	309,508	211,609	223,544
- Total	505,518	540,118	472,711
Foreign	213,289	125,948	112,043
Calf and kip skins, total	718,807	666,066	584,754
Goat and Kid skins (2) (number)	144,627	84,096	63,003
Sheep and Lamb skins (2) (dozens)	76,512	59,062	65,968
Horse Hides (number)	59,638 (3)	24,956	24,789

NOTE: Domestic on hand includes domestic in transit

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

		December 31, 1947	November 30, 1948	December 31, 1948
Cattle Hides (1)	- number	2,000	9,797	5,199
Calf and Kip Skins	- number	85,527	1,181	40,979
Goat and Kid Skins (2)	- number	-	13,200	15,000
Sheep and Lamb Skins (2)	- dozens	-	-	-
Horse Hides	- number	-	-	-

(1) Includes overweight kips

(2) Figures include East India Tanned

(3) Includes 21,372 horse fronts

Finished Leathers

	December 31, 1947	November 30, 1948	December 31, 1948
1. Cattle Leather			
Sole Leather - pounds			
Production	2,250,433	1,848,350	1,921,150
Deliveries - Domestic	1,723,312	1,864,845	1,679,823
- Export	714,998	184,663	41,928
- Total	2,438,310	2,049,508	1,721,751
Finished Stock on hand	2,829,558	3,730,983	(1)3,903,829

(1) Discrepancy due to actual physical inventory.

Finished Leathers - Continued

	December 31, 1947	November 30, 1948	December 31, 1948
Upper leather - sq. ft. (1)			
Production	3,484,362	3,314,357	3,420,411
Deliveries - domestic	2,287,591	2,962,854	2,799,722
- export	765,353	360,960	371,153
- Total	3,052,944	3,323,814	3,170,875
Finished Stock on hand	1,274,954	1,705,600	1,955,134
Glove and Garment Leather - sq. ft.			
Production	414,352	418,155	481,599
Deliveries - domestic	336,058	423,094	344,145
- export	34,334	64,841	113,274
- Total	370,392	487,935	457,419
Finished Stock on hand	109,662	162,651	186,831
Bag, Case and Strap Leather - sides			
Production	13,405	11,557	11,320
Deliveries - domestic	11,907	10,925	10,431
- export	678	566	1,021
- Total	12,585	11,491	11,452
Finished Stock on hand	1,047	298	166
Harness Leather - sides			
Production	1,700	2,402	2,561
Deliveries - domestic	6,839	6,271	4,315
- export	-	-	-
- Total	6,839	6,271	4,315
Finished Stock on hand	10,095	9,492	(2)8,190
Belting Leather - butts and butt bends			
Production	5,629	3,671	3,509
Deliveries - domestic	4,424	3,717	3,588
- export	-	-	-
- Total	4,424	3,717	3,588
Finished Stock on hand	7,484	3,818	3,739
2. Calf and Kip Skin Upper - sq. ft.			
Production	1,950,560	825,236	1,232,976
Deliveries - domestic	712,098	769,748	1,097,812
- export	847,366	443,729	453,260
- Total	1,559,464	1,213,477	1,551,072
Finished Stock on hand	1,652,030	3,288,092	2,969,996

(1) Figures include overweight kips and patent leather.

(2) Discrepancy due to actual physical inventory.



Finished Leather - Concluded

	December 31, 1947	November 30, 1948	December 31, 1948
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3. Goat and Kid Leather - Skins			
Production	70,751	70,016	75,178
Deliveries - domestic	58,363	90,644	57,509
- export	-	-	-
- Total	58,363	90,644	57,509
Finished Stock on hand	21,884	62,961	80,630
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4. <u>Sheep and Lamb Leathers</u>			
<u>Glove and Garment Leathers - (doz. skins)</u>			
Production	3,855	5,419	3,831
Deliveries - domestic	3,733	5,340	4,718
- export	68	-	-
- Total	3,801	5,340	4,718
Finished Stock on hand	4,550	2,776	1,889
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Shoe Leather - (Doz. skins)			
Production	4,568	5,598	5,486
Deliveries - domestic	1,432	5,471	5,442
- export	-	-	-
- Total	1,432	5,471	5,442
Finished Stock on hand	5,382	5,436	5,480
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5. <u>Horse Leather -</u>			
<u>Glove and Garment Leather - (Sq. ft.)</u>			
Production	504,430	250,441	190,718
Deliveries - domestic	343,775	383,423	200,442
- export	-	2,273	-
- Total	343,775	385,696	200,442
Finished Stock on hand	462,304	235,650	225,926