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MONTHLY REPORT ON THE BOOT AND SHOE PRODUCTION OF
CANADA, MAY, 1927.

The statistics of the present report are based on the returns of 177 factories out of a total of 179 factories in operation in Canada during the month. One factory in Quebec and one in Ontario failed to make return. The factories in operation during the month are located by provinces as follows: Nova Scotia, 3; New Brunswick, 5; Quebec, 106; Ontario, 59; and British Columbia, 6.

The total quantity of footwear with leather or fabric uppers made during the month was 1,480,003 pairs, compared with a total of 1,450,672 pairs for the preceding month and with a total of 1,352,720 pairs for the month of May, 1926. The production of shoepacks and larrigans totalled 20,592 pairs; of footwear with felt uppers, 58,017 pairs; and of boudoir and Indian slippers, 45,274 pairs, bringing the total production of footwear for the month of May, 1927, up to 1,603,886 pairs, an increase over the preceding month of 37,136 pairs, or 2 per cent. An increase of 9 per cent is shown in the output of shoes for women, of 2 per cent in the output for boys and youths, of 3 per cent for misses and childrens, and of 1 per cent for babies and infants. The production of men's shoes was less than in the preceding month, the decrease amounting to 8 per cent. Comparison of the production of boots and shoes with leather or fabric uppers in May, 1927, with the production for the corresponding month of 1926 shows increases for the classifications of men's, women's and misses' and children's. The percentages of increase for these items are as follows: men's, 8 per cent; women's, 12 per cent; and misses' and children's, 19 per cent. The production of boots and shoes classified as boys' and youths' and babies' and infants', show decreases of 5 and 1 per cent respectively. Comparison with the production for the month of May, 1926, can be made only for footwear with leather or fabric uppers, as the monthly census of 1926 did not include an inquiry relating to the production of shoepacks, larrigans and moccasins.

The cumulative production of boots and shoes with leather or fabric uppers for the five months ended May 31, 1927 was 7,372,268 pairs, an average of 1,474,453 pairs per month, compared with a total of 6,987,373 pairs and an average of 1,397,475 pairs per month for the corresponding period of 1926.

Statistics are given in detail in the following tables.

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1. Production of Boots and Shoes in Canada, May, 1927.

Classification	Boots and Shoes with Leather or Fabric Uppers						Total	Shoe packs, larrigans and moc-casins	Footwear of all kinds with felt uppers	Cloth, carpet, boudoir and Indian slippers	Total Footwear
	Welts	McKays and all imitation welts	Turns	Nailed, pegged, screw or wire fastened	Stitch-downs	All Other					
	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair
Men's	210,657	46,981	2,820	97,949	24,380	1,025	383,812	11,611	23,229	4,557	423,209
Boys' and youths'	9,685	40,625	856	48,944	20,026	240	120,376	3,819	2,226	1,701	128,122
Women's	51,573	466,883	49,100	6,880	25,462	9	599,907	2,493	20,878	23,890	647,368
Misses' and children's	17,968	85,471	3,411	8,485	145,756	697	261,768	2,193	9,054	5,652	278,687
Babies' and infants'	9,583	15,647	13,235	125	67,597	7,933	114,120	276	2,630	2,474	116,500
T O T A L S	299,466	659,607	69,422	162,383	283,221	9,904	1,480,003	20,592	58,017	45,274	1,603,888

2. - Comparative Statistics of the Production of Boots and Shoes with Leather or Fabric Uppers for the month of May, 1926.

Classification	Boots and Shoes with Leather or Fabric Uppers						Total
	Welts	McKays and all imitation welts	Turns	Nailed, pegged, screw or wire fastened	Stitch-downs	All Other	
	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair
Men's	183,472	62,123	2,347	83,173	21,219	3,261	355,615
Boys' and youths'	6,237	37,457	3,052	41,588	36,992	1,214	126,540
Women's	51,605	357,116	67,558	5,386	41,417	12,039	535,121
Misses' and children's	12,647	80,067	5,358	5,858	110,242	6,054	220,226
Babies' and infants'	16,474	16,830	2,217	294	64,566	7,837	115,218
T O T A L	270,435	553,593	87,532	136,299	274,436	30,425	1,352,720

3. Cumulative Production of Boots and Shoes for the Five months ended May 31, 1927.

Classification	Boots and Shoes with Leather or Fabric Uppers							Shoe packs larrigans and moc- casins	Footwear of all kinds with felt uppers	Cloth, carpet, boudoir and Indian slippers	Total Footwear
	Welts	McKays and all imitation welts	Turns	Nailed, pegged, screw or wire fas- tened	Stitch- downs	All other	Total				
	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair
Men's	1,267,755	269,431	9,523	569,713	111,648	5,936	2,234,006	53,841	97,431	13,719	2,398,997
Boys' and youths'	46,841	246,088	2,075	275,495	87,153	1,746	659,398	26,263	9,274	4,987	699,922
Women's	291,023	2,073,423	239,897	35,589	127,603	5,129	2,772,664	16,508	88,947	78,113	2,956,232
Misses' and children's	76,975	395,017	16,356	46,254	640,100	3,281	1,177,983	7,358	44,218	18,849	1,248,408
Babies' and infants'	66,050	76,234	59,114	940	280,286	45,593	528,217	2,374	8,638	33,534	572,763
T O T A L	1,748,644	3,060,193	326,965	927,991	1,246,790	61,685	7,372,268	106,344	248,508	149,202	7,876,322

4. Cumulative Production of Boots and Shoes with Leather or Fabric Uppers for the Five Months ended May 31, 1926.

Classification	Boots and Shoes with Leather or Fabric Uppers						
	Welts	McKays and all imitation welts	Turns	Nailed, pegged, screw or wire fas- tened	Stitch- downs	All other	Total
	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair
Men's	1,155,388	260,041	11,617	510,052	111,350	14,455	2,062,903
Boys' and youths'	40,406	176,577	4,903	250,139	154,911	10,542	637,478
Women's	239,515	1,872,314	302,066	37,053	179,593	35,788	2,666,329
Misses' and children's	76,281	380,690	25,738	42,904	534,042	33,335	1,092,990
Babies' and infants'	84,101	73,394	55,009	3,065	250,517	61,587	527,673
T O T A L	1,595,691	2,763,016	399,333	843,213	1,230,413	155,707	6,987,373

