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## REPORT ON THE PRODUCTION OF BOOTS AND SHOES IN CANADA,

April, 1928.

The statistics of production of the leather boot and shoe industry of Canada for the month of April, 1928, are based on the returns of 183 factories out of a total of 188 factories in operation during the month. Four factories in Quebec and 1 factory in Ontario failed to make return. The factories in operation during the month were located by provinces as follows: Nova Scotia, 2; New Brunswick, 5; Quebec, 113; Ontario, 61; Manitoba, 1; Alberta, 1; and British Columbia, 5.

The production of footwear for the month totalled 1,711,543 pairs, a decrease from the preceding month of 235,837 pairs, or 12 p.c., but an increase over the month of April, 1927, of 144,793 pairs, or 9 p.c. The percentage of decrease in the period March to April, 1928, viz.; 12 p.c., was the same as the decrease for the corresponding 2 months of 1927. The production for April, 1928, shows decreases from the preceding month for all sizes excepting footwear for misses and children, which shows a slight increase. Decreases are recorded for all of the different kinds of process. Commencing with the present report the production of sheepskins, larrigans and moccasins, formerly shown under 1 heading, will be divided into 2 classifications, as follows: "(b) Sheepskins, larrigans and moccasins, oil tanned"; "(bb) Moccasins, for outdoor wear, other than oil tanned".

The cumulative production of leather and felt footwear for the 4 months ended April 30, 1928, was 6,807,141 pairs, an increase over the production of the corresponding period of 1927 of 534,705 pairs, or 8½ p.c. Increases are shown in the production of footwear for men, for women and for babies and infants, with decreases in the sizes for boys and youths and for misses and children.

Statistics in detail are given in the following tables.





1. Production of Boots and Shoes in Canada, April, 1928.

Process	Men's	Boys' and Youths'	Women's	Misses and Children's	Babies' and Infants	Total
	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair
(a) Boots and Shoes with leather or fabric uppers- Welts	186,924	6,091	45,881	13,535	7,682	260,113
McKays, and all imitation welts	94,583	63,370	486,605	98,219	16,427	759,204
Turns	2,364	145	37,276	2,417	7,265	49,467
Nailed, pegged, screw or wire fastened	126,554	48,459	8,178	6,727	206	190,124
Stitchdowns	25,746	12,213	26,079	139,089	59,784	262,911
All other	1,087	100	9,883	697	4,446	16,213
Totals	437,258	130,378	613,902	260,684	95,810	1,538,032
(b) Shoe-packs, larrigans and moccasins, (oil tan)	10,291	3,436	8	641	175	14,551
(bb) Moccasins for outdoor wear. (Other than oil tan)	7,489	3,124	3,824	2,519	1,103	18,059
(c) Footwear of all kinds with felt uppers	26,540	2,094	31,919	7,090	3,416	71,059
(d) Cloth, carpet, boudoir and Indian slippers	3,470	1,046	43,494	8,906	12,926	69,842
Total Footwear	485,048	140,078	693,147	279,840	113,430	1,711,543

2. Comparative Statistics of the Production of Boots and Shoes in Canada, for the month of April, 1927.

Process	Men's	Boys' and Youths'	Women's	Misses and Children's	Babies' and Infants	Total
	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair
(a) Boots and Shoes with leather or fabric uppers- Welts	231,167	8,767	67,108	18,061	14,239	339,342
McKays and all imitation welts	65,531	41,958	415,500	81,409	18,874	623,272
Turns	2,476	229	42,948	2,976	14,757	63,386
Nailed, pegged, screw or wire fastened	98,357	50,756	5,265	6,917	67	161,362
Stitchdowns	25,330	12,824	19,428	148,455	46,587	252,624
All other	1,125	3	15	535	9,008	10,686
Totals	423,986	114,537	550,264	258,353	103,532	1,450,672
(b) Shoe-packs, larrigans and moccasins	10,277	7,239	3,300	2,132	688	23,636
(c) Footwear of all kinds with felt uppers	23,042	2,471	18,017	6,581	1,773	51,884
(d) Cloth, carpet, boudoir and Indian slippers	4,719	974	20,475	4,591	9,799	40,558
Total Footwear	462,024	125,221	592,056	271,657	115,792	1,566,750





3. Cumulative Production of Boots and Shoes for the four months ended April 30, 1928.

Process	Men's	Boys' and Youths'	Women's	Misses and Children's	Babies and Infants	Total
	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair
(a) Boots and Shoes with leather or fabric uppers-Welts	989,456	28,507	239,716	57,436	44,168	1,359,283
McKays, and all imitation welts	264,667	205,939	1,855,295	304,076	55,282	2,685,259
Turns	4,394	954	177,103	6,514	22,630	211,595
Nailed, pegged, screw or wire fastened	572,755	216,341	31,017	27,923	700	848,736
Stitchdowns	106,264	48,986	109,272	484,600	238,904	988,026
All other	4,819	453	41,263	6,880	30,269	83,684
Totals	1,942,355	501,180	2,453,666	887,429	391,953	6,176,583
(b) Shoepacks, larrigans and moccasins (oil tan)	67,704	16,305	34,045	10,597	6,412	135,063
(bb) Moccasins for outdoor wear (other than oil tan)	7,489	3,124	3,824	2,519	1,103	18,059
(c) Footwear of all kinds with felt uppers	93,927	10,562	92,796	23,290	10,728	231,303
(d) Cloth, carpet, boudoir and Indian slippers	15,237	3,013	159,210	28,904	39,769	246,133
Total Footwear	2,126,712	534,184	2,743,541	952,739	449,965	6,807,141

4. Cumulative Production of Boots and Shoes for the four months ended April 30, 1927.

	Men's	Boys' and Youths'	Women's	Misses and Children's	Babies and Infants	Total
	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair
(a) Boots and Shoes with leather or fabric uppers-Welts	1,057,098	37,156	239,450	59,007	56,467	1,449,178
McKays, and all imitation welts	222,450	205,463	1,606,540	309,546	60,587	2,404,586
Turns	6,703	1,219	190,797	12,945	45,879	257,543
Nailed, pegged, screw or wire fastened	471,764	226,551	28,709	37,769	815	765,608
Stitchdowns	87,268	67,127	102,141	494,344	212,689	963,569
All Other	4,911	1,506	5,120	2,584	37,660	51,781
Totals	1,850,194	539,022	2,172,757	916,195	414,097	5,892,265
(b) Shoepacks, larrigans and moccasins	42,230	22,444	13,815	5,165	2,098	85,752
(c) Footwear of all kinds with felt uppers	74,202	7,048	68,069	35,164	6,008	190,491
(d) Cloth, carpet, boudoir and Indian slippers	9,162	3,286	54,223	13,197	24,060	103,928
Total Footwear	1,975,788	571,800	2,308,864	969,721	446,263	6,272,436

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