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REPORT ON THE PRODUCTION OF BOOTS AND SHOES
IN CANADA, AUGUST, 1928.

Number of Factories.— The statistics of footwear production for the month of August, 1928, are based on the returns of 178 factories out of a total of 185 factories in operation during the month. The factories in operation are located by provinces as follows: Nova Scotia, 4; New Brunswick, 3; Quebec, 111; Ontario, 59; Manitoba, 2; and British Columbia, 6. Six factories in Quebec and 1 factory in Ontario failed to make return.

Production.— The production of footwear during the month of August, 1928, amounted to 1,829,964 pairs, an increase over the preceding month of 197,088 pairs or 12 p.c., but a decrease from the month of August, 1927, of 25,427 pairs or 1 p.c. The production for August, 1928, comprised 556,285 pairs of footwear in sizes for men, 123,827 pairs in sizes for boys and youths, 832,844 pairs for women, 202,803 pairs for misses and children, and 114,205 pairs in sizes for babies and infants. All of these classifications show increases over the preceding month excepting footwear for misses and children, which showed a decrease. The relative position of each of these classifications with regard to total production for the month of August is as follows: footwear for women, 46 p.c.; for men, 30 p.c., for misses and children, 11 p.c.; for boys and youths, 7 p.c.; and for babies and infants, 6 p.c.

Cumulative Production.— The cumulative production of footwear for the 8 months ended August 31st, 1928, was 13,706,937 pairs, or an average per month of 1,713,367 pairs, in comparison with a total of 12,848,082 pairs and an average per month of 1,606,010 pairs for the corresponding period of 1927.

Average Production per Factory.— The average output per factory in August, 1928, was 10,281 pairs, compared with 9,774 pairs in the preceding month and 10,663 pairs in the month of August, 1927.

Imports and Exports.— The imports of footwear with leather uppers in August, 1928, amounted to 91,954 pairs, compared with 62,032 pairs in July. The quantity of Canadian-made leather footwear exported in August, 1928, was 10,327 pairs, compared with 11,545 pairs in the preceding month. The trade in leather footwear is chiefly with the United Kingdom and the United States.

General Tables.— Statistics of production are given in detail in the following tables.

1. Production of Boots and Shoes in Canada, August, 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	254,034	4,320	67,319	6,403	11,196	343,272
McKays, and all imitation welts	61,029	49,465	572,765	80,267	16,120	779,647
Turns	6,926	215	47,380	992	4,256	59,769
Nailed, pegged, screw or wire fastened	136,524	53,960	6,643	5,987	195	203,309
Switchdowns	26,862	5,228	22,951	83,800	50,576	189,417
All other	1,116	100	7,845	-	17,104	26,165
TOTALS	486,491	113,288	724,904	177,449	99,447	1,601,579
(b) Shoepacks, larrigans and moccasins, (oil tan)	13,564	2,104	840	909	684	18,101
(bb) Moccasins for outdoor wear (other than oil tan)	5,176	2,593	4,277	1,800	1,258	15,104
(c) Footwear of all kinds with felt uppers	46,349	4,509	59,339	14,303	5,491	129,991
(d) Cloth, carpet, boudoir and Indian slippers	4,705	1,333	43,484	8,342	7,325	65,189
TOTAL FOOTWEAR	556,285	123,827	872,844	202,803	114,205	1,829,964

2. Comparative Statistics of the Production of Boots and Shoes in Canada, for the month of August, 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	290,722	7,465	79,518	8,287	18,763	404,755
McKays, and all imitation welts	72,590	47,416	549,797	78,733	17,708	766,244
Turns	6,476	172	68,117	1,371	9,538	85,674
Nailed, pegged, screw or wire fastened	140,479	65,009	10,118	10,921	251	226,778
Switchdowns	18,200	6,946	12,546	55,056	54,522	178,270
All other	1,600	2,860	2,024	318	7,075	13,877
TOTALS	530,067	129,868	722,120	135,686	107,357	1,625,598
(b) Shoepacks, larrigans and moccasins	19,404	4,564	3,396	3,485	1,384	32,233
(c) Footwear of all kinds with felt uppers	36,121	3,710	40,701	13,101	4,472	98,105
(d) Cloth, Carpet, boudoir and Indian slippers	2,631	428	24,159	4,150	18,086	49,454
TOTAL FOOTWEAR	568,223	138,570	790,376	206,423	131,799	1,855,391

3. Cumulative Production of Boots and Shoes for the eight months ended August 31st, 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	1,916,548	46,084	469,205	97,985	86,738	2,616,560
McKays, and all imitation welts	483,441	379,365	3,851,906	654,776	131,669	5,501,157
Turns	27,866	1,479	357,453	12,237	35,954	434,989
Nailed, pegged, screw or wire fastened	1,058,716	392,560	57,523	46,018	1,207	1,556,024
Stitchdowns	209,095	80,567	225,218	966,143	461,084	1,942,107
All other	10,705	945	74,826	26,082	91,119	203,677
Totals	3,706,371	901,000	5,036,131	1,803,241	807,771	12,254,514
(b) Shoepacks, larrigans and moccasins (oil tan) X	80,755	20,257	15,712	7,501	4,115	128,340
(bb) Moccasins for outdoor wear (other than oil tan) X	68,435	21,069	40,400	15,952	9,307	155,163
(c) Footwear of all kinds with felt uppers	256,933	27,984	285,042	72,907	30,837	673,703
(d) Cloth, carpet, boudoir and Indian slippers	33,969	8,158	331,750	59,022	62,318	495,217
Total Footwear	4,146,463	978,468	5,709,035	1,958,623	914,348	13,706,937

X Previous to April, 1928, the two classifications of (b) and (bb) were combined. For the purpose therefore of showing the cumulative production of each of these classifications, an approximate division has been made of the total item for the months of January to March.

4. Cumulative Production of Boots and Shoes for the eight Months ended August 31st, 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	2,032,492	74,527	494,871	113,388	104,241	2,819,519
McKays, and all imitation welts	491,624	384,813	3,373,528	604,057	117,595	4,971,617
Turns	29,120	4,110	435,705	27,561	83,334	579,830
Nailed, pegged, screw or wire fastened	922,926	427,020	58,231	67,875	1,593	1,477,645
Stitchdowns	174,417	112,081	192,832	986,326	449,472	1,915,128
All other	10,966	4,666	10,961	7,337	69,922	103,852
Totals	3,661,545	1,007,217	4,566,128	1,806,544	826,157	11,867,591
(b) Shoepacks, larrigans and moccasins	106,247	59,645	25,414	20,033	8,030	199,419
(c) Footwear of all kinds with felt uppers	192,480	18,614	187,899	85,105	20,557	504,655
(d) Cloth, carpet, boudoir and Indian slippers	21,435	6,970	142,343	34,333	71,336	276,417
Total Footwear	3,981,707	1,072,446	4,921,784	1,946,065	926,080	12,848,082



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