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REPORT ON THE FRODUCTION OF BOOTS AND SHOES IN CANADA, APRIL, 1929.

Number of Factories. - Returns of production for the month of April, 1929, were received from 177 boot and shoe factories out of a total of 184 factories in operation during the month. The factories making returns are located by provinces as follows:

Nova Scotia, 2; New Brunswick, 3; Quebec, 103; Ontario, 62; Manitoba, 1; and British

Columbia, 6. The delinquent factories numbered 6 in Quebec and 1 in Ontario.

Production. The output of the factories in April, 1929, included 1,492,526 pairs of boots and shoes with leather or fabric uppers; 12,307 pairs of shoepacks, larrigans and moccasins; 90,632 pairs of footwear with felt uppers; and 48,116 pairs of slippers - a total production of footwear for the month of 1,643,581 pairs. Compared with the preceding month the production shows a decrease of 69,271 pairs, or 4 p.c., and compared with the month of April, 1928, a decrease of 67,962 pairs, or 4 p.c. Footwear for men, for women, and for boys and youths show decreases from the preceding month, while footwear for misses and children and babies and infants show increases. In the classification of boots and shoes with leather or fabric uppers, according to process, the items of "turns" and "stitchdowns" show increases over the preceding month, while the other items show decreases: An increase is shown in the output of footwear with felt uppers, and decreases in the quantities of shoepacks, larrigans and moccasins, and of slippers.

Cumulative Production. - The cumulative production of footwear for the four months ended April, 30, 1929, was 6,281,288 pairs, or an average of 1,570,322 pairs per month, compared with a total of 6,807,141 pairs and an average per month of 1,701,785 pairs for the corresponding period of 1928.

Imports and Exports. The imports of footwear (except rubber) during the month of April, 1929, amounted to 99,285 pairs, comprising boots, shoes and slippers with leather, canvas and felt uppers. There is also record of imports of footwear other than canvas, felt, rubber and leather, for which the value only is available. The quantity of footwear imported shows a decrease from the preceding month of 30,937 pairs, but an increase over the month of April, 1928, of 31,755 pairs. The exports of Canadian made leather footwear in April, 1929, amounted to 9,218 pairs, compared with 11.612 pairs in the preceding month, and 6,125 pairs in April, 1928.

Statistics of production are given in detail in the following tables,

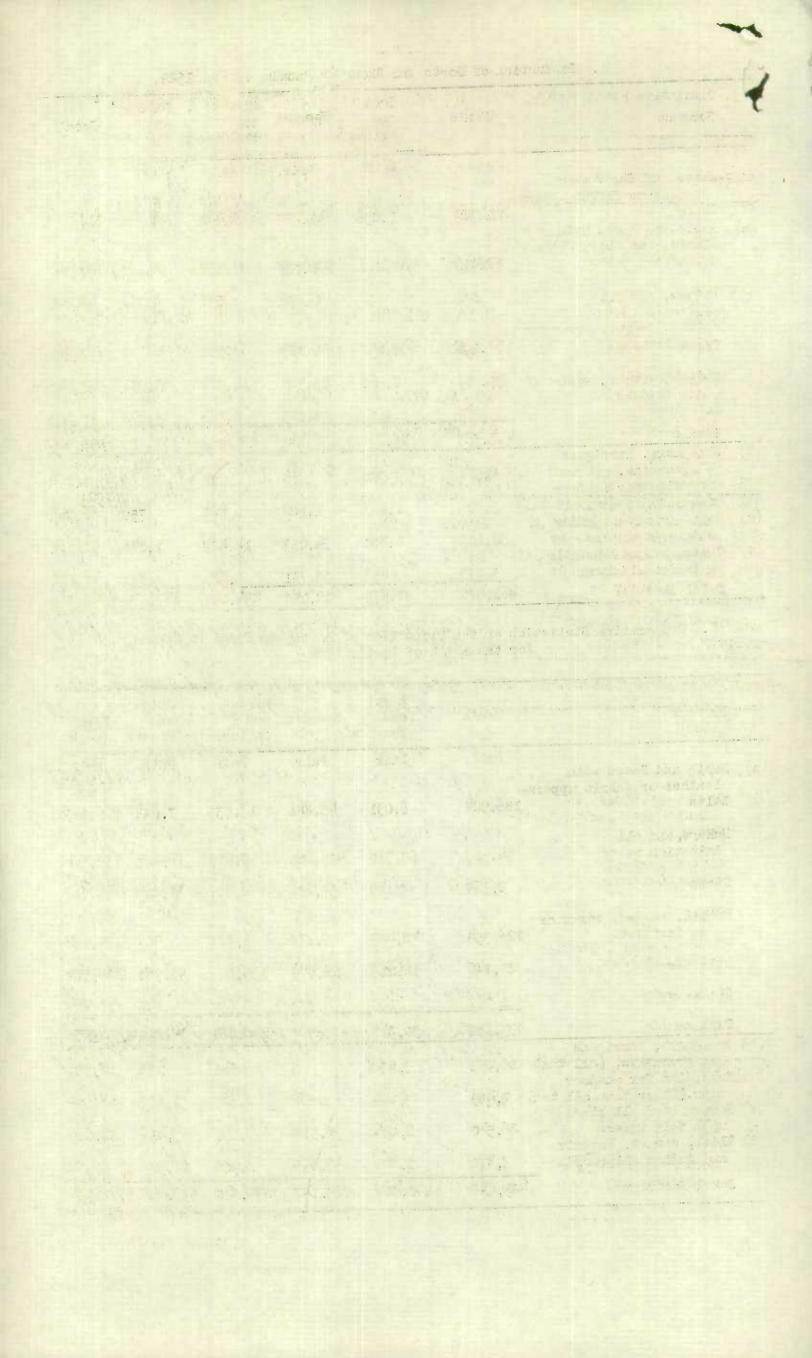
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1. Production of Boots and Shoes in Canada, April, 1929.

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*	Process	Men's	Boys' and Youths'	Women's	Misses and Children's	Babies' and Infants	Total		
(a)	Boots and Shoes with	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair		
	leather or fabric uppers- Welts	221,927	7,256	41,277	24,641	22,458	317,559		
	McKays, and all imitation welts	62,756	40,016	522,075	87,399	14,101	726,347		
	Turns	877	710	36,296	1,631	4,712	44,226		
	Nailed, pegged, screw or wire fastened	100,026	32,657	4,083	3,598	2	140,366		
	Stitchdowns	30,987	8,368	25,522	116,372	61,391	242,640		
	All other	850		3,029	2,280	15,229	21,388		
	Totals	417,423	89,007	632.282	235,921	117,893	1,492,526		
(6)	& moccasins, (oil tan)	1,571	326	4	59	2	1,962		
(bb)	Moccasins for outdoor wear, (Other than oil tan) Footwear of all kinds	5,206	1,893	1,928	560	758	10,345		
	with felt uppers Cloth, carpet, boudoir	34,103	6,200	34,053	14,428	1,848	90,632		
, , ,	& Indian slippers	3,273	453	33,791	3,226	7,373	48,116		
1	Total Footwear	461,576	97,879	702,058	254,194	127,874	1,643,581		

2. Comparative Statistics of the Production of Boots and Shoes in Canada, for the month of April, 1928.

	Process	Men's	Boys' and Youth's	Women's	Misses and Children'	Babies' and s Infants	Total
(a)	Boots and Shoes with	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair
	leather or fabric uppers	186,924	6,091	45,881	13,535	7,683	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	190,12)
	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
	Shoepacks, larrigans and moccasins, (oil tan)	10,291	3,436	8	641	175	14,551
)Moccasins for outdoor wear. (Other than cil tan	7,489	3,124	3,824	2,519	1,103	13,059
	Footwear of all kinds with felt uppers	26,540	2,094	31,919	7,090	3,416	71,059
(1)	Cloth, carpet, boudoir and Indian slippers	3,470	1,046	43,494	8,906	12,926	69,842
	Total Footcear	485,048	140,078	693,147	279,840	113,430	1,711,543





3. Cumulative Production of Boots and Shoes for the four months ended April 30, 1929.

P	rocess	Meh!s	Boys! and Youths!	Women's	Misses and Children'	Babies and s Infants	Total
a)	Boots and Shoes with leather or fabric uppers-	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair
	Welts	931,297	30,671	219,989	87,131	88,101	1,357,189
	McKays, and all imitation welts	243,449	153,138	1,882,438	307,292	54,838	2,641,155
	Turns	3,646	4,762	140,324	8,853	16,100	173,685
	Nailed, pegged, screw or wire fastened	448,463	149,694	17,794	14,566	175	630,692
	Stitchdowns	115,694	36,661	88,935	445,846	207,232	894,368
	All other	4,912	69	15,254	4,026	67,870	92,133
	Totals	1,747,461	374,995	2,364,734	867,714	434,316	5,789,220
) h)	Shoepacks, larrigans and moccasins (oil tan) Moccasins for outdoor	10,111	3,260	53	405	80	13,909
:)	wear (other than oil tan) Footwear of all kinds	14,168	3,967	7,736	2,296	1,365	29,53
	with felt uppers Cloth, carpet, boudoir	91,450	17,998	89,930	35,021	6,351	240,750
,	and Indian slippers	10,824	3,761	158:244	14,630	20,418	207,877
	Total Footwear	1,874,014	403.981	2,620,697	920,066	462,530	6,281,288

4. 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	Babies and 's Infants	Total
(a)	Boots and Shoes with leather or fabric uppers-	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair
	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
	Stitchdovms	106,264	48,986	109,272	484,600	238,904	988,026
	All other Totals	4,819 1,942,355		41,263	6,380	30,269 391,953	83,684 6,176,583
(b)	Shoopacks, larrigans and moccasins (oil tan) Moccasins for outdoor	40,497	10,266	9,218	3,964	2,254	66,199
	wear (other than oil tan)	34,696	9,163	28,651	9,152	5,261	86,923
(c)	Footwear of all kinds with felt uppers	93,927	10,562	92,796	23,290	10,728	231,303
(4)	Cloth, carpet, boudoir and Indian slippers	15,237	3,013	159,210	25,904	39,769	246,133
	Total Footwear	2,126,712	534,184	2,743,541	952,739	449,965	6,007,141



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