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REPORT ON THE PRODUCTION OF BOOTS AND SHOES IN CANADA, MAY, 1929.

Number of Factories.— The present report is based on the returns of 180 boot and shoe factories out of a total of 186 factories in operation during the month. The factories making returns are located by provinces as follows: Nova Scotia, 2; New Brunswick, 3; Quebec, 104; Ontario, 64; Manitoba, 1 and British Columbia, 6. Five factories in Quebec and one factory in Ontario failed to make return.

Production.— Production during the month of May, 1929, amounted to 1,688,350 pairs, comprising 1,521,416 pairs of boots and shoes with leather or fabric uppers; 14,604 pairs of shoepacks, larrigans and moccasins; 101,732 pairs of footwear with felt uppers; and 50,598 pairs of slippers. The production for May was greater than that of the preceding month by 44,769 pairs or  $2\frac{1}{2}$  p.c., and was less than that of the month of May, 1928, by only 8,909 pairs, or  $\frac{1}{2}$  of 1 p.c. The production for May, 1929, is divided according to classifications of size as follows: footwear for women, 44 p.c. of total output; footwear for men, 28 p.c.; for misses and children, 14 p.c.; for babies and infants, 8 p.c.; and for boys and youths, 6 p.c.

Cumulative Production.— The total production for the five months ended May 31, 1929, was 7,969,638 pairs, or an average output per month of 1,593,927 pairs, compared with a total of 8,504,400 pairs and an average per month of 1,700,880 pairs for the corresponding period of 1928.

Imports and Exports.— The imports of footwear (including boots and shoes with leather, canvas and felt uppers, and boots and shoes, pegged or wire fastened, with unstitched soles) during the month of May, 1929, amounted to 85,108 pairs, compared with 99,285 pairs in the preceding month and 80,093 pairs in May, 1928. The United States supplied 72 per cent of the footwear imported into Canada in May, 1929, and the United Kingdom, 18 per cent. The quantity of Canadian made leather footwear exported during the month of May, 1929, was 28,655 pairs, compared with 9,218 pairs in the preceding month, and 15,182 pairs in May, 1928. Of the total quantity exported in May, 1929, the United States took 95 p.c.

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

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

Process	Men's Pair	Boys' and Youths' Pair	Women's Pair	Misses and Children's Pair	Babies and Infants Pair	Total Pair
(a) Boots and Shoes with leather or fabric uppers - Welts	221,608	7,178	50,509	18,944	17,545	315,784
McKays, and all imitation welts	65,432	44,096	533,557	82,018	18,869	743,972
Turns	4,245	122	42,028	1,389	5,070	52,854
Nailed, pegged screw or wire fastened	99,392	28,974	4,212	2,314	129	135,021
Stitchdowns	29,072	6,321	31,125	116,387	65,157	248,062
All other	911	-	10,326	1,785	12,701	25,723
Totals	420,660	86,691	671,757	222,837	119,471	1,521,416
(b) Shoepacks, larrigans and moccasins, (oil tan)	1,655	1,464	17	5	1	3,142
(bb) Moccasins for outdoor wear (other than oil tan)	6,471	1,281	2,230	898	582	11,462
(c) Footwear of all kinds with felt uppers	35,711	8,555	37,074	16,756	3,636	101,732
(d) Cloth, carpet, boudoir and Indian slippers	4,384	1,077	36,236	3,107	5,794	50,598
Total Footwear	468,881	99,068	747,314	243,603	129,484	1,688,350

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

Process	Men's Pair	Boys' and Youths' Pair	Women's Pair	Misses and Children's Pair	Babies and Infants Pair	Total Pair
(a) Boots and Shoes with leather or fabric uppers- Welts	214,842	5,304	46,091	15,718	9,138	291,093
McKays, and all imitation welts	59,482	41,207	471,725	83,585	25,078	681,077
Turns	3,852	60	38,445	1,958	2,907	47,222
Nailed, pegged screw or wire fastened	124,297	39,760	7,107	4,013	160	175,337
Stitchdowns	31,294	12,231	32,755	143,932	60,720	280,932
All other	983	115	8,022	3,201	16,120	28,441
Totals	434,750	98,677	604,145	252,407	114,123	1,504,102
(b) Shoepacks, larrigans and moccasins, (oil tan)	11,160	3,305	145	733	225	15,568
(bb) Moccasins for outdoor wear (other than oil tan)	7,344	2,732	5,619	1,248	1,033	17,976
(c) Footwear of all kinds with felt uppers	36,650	3,792	39,406	10,780	4,668	95,296
(d) Cloth, carpet, boudoir and Indian slippers	5,545	2,042	44,143	8,081	4,501	64,317
Total Footwear	495,449	110,548	693,463	273,249	124,550	1,697,259





3. Cumulative Production of Boots and Shoes for the five months ended May 31, 1929.

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	1,152,905	37,849	270,498	106,075	105,646	1,672,973
McKays, and all imitation welts	308,881	197,234	2,415,995	389,310	73,707	3,385,127
Turns	7,891	4,884	182,352	10,242	21,170	226,539
Nailed, pegged, screw or wire fastened	547,855	178,668	22,006	16,880	304	765,713
Stitchdowns	144,766	42,982	120,060	562,233	272,389	1,142,430
All other	5,823	69	25,580	5,811	80,571	117,854
Totals	2,168,121	461,686	3,036,491	1,090,551	553,787	7,310,636
(b) Shoepacks, larrigans and moccasins (oil tan)	11,766	4,724	70	410	81	17,051
(bb) Moccasins for outdoor wear (other than oil tan)	20,639	5,248	9,966	3,194	1,947	40,994
(c) Footwear of all kinds with felt uppers	127,161	26,553	127,004	51,777	9,987	342,482
(d) Cloth, carpet, boudoir and Indian slippers	15,208	4,838	194,480	17,737	26,212	258,475
Total Footwear	2,342,895	503,049	3,368,011	1,163,669	592,014	7,969,638

4. Cumulative Production of Boots and Shoes for the five months ended May 31, 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	1,242,084	33,811	285,807	73,154	53,306	1,688,162
McKays, and all imitation welts	286,363	247,146	2,327,020	387,661	80,360	3,328,550
Turns	8,246	1,014	215,548	8,472	25,537	258,817
Nailed, pegged, screw or wire fastened	697,052	256,101	38,124	31,936	860	1,024,073
Stitchdowns	137,558	61,217	142,027	628,532	299,624	1,268,958
All other	5,802	568	49,285	10,081	46,389	112,125
Totals	2,377,105	599,857	3,057,811	1,139,836	506,076	7,680,685
(b) Shoepacks, larrigans and moccasins (oil tan)	51,657	13,571	9,363	4,697	2,479	81,767
(bb) Moccasins for outdoor wear (other than oil tan)	42,040	11,895	34,270	10,400	6,294	104,899
(c) Footwear of all kinds with felt uppers	130,577	14,354	132,202	34,070	15,396	326,599
(d) Cloth, carpet, boudoir and Indian slippers	20,782	5,055	203,358	36,985	44,270	310,450
Total Footwear	2,622,161	644,732	3,437,004	1,225,988	574,515	8,504,400



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