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REPORT ON THE PRODUCTION OF LEATHER FOOTWEAR
IN CANADA, AUGUST, 1931.

Number of Factories.— Statistics of the production of leather footwear in Canada in August, 1931, are based on the returns of 165 factories out of a total of 169 factories in operation during the month. The operating factories were located by provinces as follows: Nova Scotia, 2; New Brunswick, 4; Quebec, 99; Ontario, 58; Manitoba, 1; and British Columbia, 5. Three factories in Quebec and 1 factory in Ontario failed to make return.

Production.— The leather footwear industry of the Dominion has shown very satisfactory progress during the past eight months, nearly every month recording an increase in production over the corresponding month of 1930. The quantity of footwear made in August, 1931, was 1,627,026 pairs, an increase over the preceding month of 170,184, and an increase over the month of August, 1930, of 84,320 pairs. Footwear made in sizes for women is of chief importance, representing 49 per cent of the total product of August, 1931, while footwear made in sizes for men represented 27 per cent. The remaining 24 per cent is distributed between the three classifications of footwear for "boys and youths", "misses and children" and "babies and infants".

Cumulative Production.— The total production for the eight months ended August 31, 1931, was 12,062,805 pairs, or an average per month of 1,507,851 pairs, compared with a total of 11,730,141 pairs and a monthly average of 1,466,268 pairs for the corresponding period of 1930.

Imports and Exports.— Imports of footwear (except rubber) increased slightly over the preceding month, but showed a decrease in total quantity of 46 per cent compared with August, 1930. The total quantity imported in August, 1931, was 86,915 pairs, compared with 53,605 pairs in July and 161,582 pairs in August, 1930. The value of the footwear imports in August, 1931, amounted to \$191,402, of which the imports from the United States accounted for \$127,714, or 67 per cent, and the imports from the United Kingdom, \$55,488, or 29 per cent. The exports of Canadian made leather footwear in August, 1931, amounted to 1,599 pairs, compared with 699 pairs in the preceding month and 3,227 pairs in August, 1930. Shipments were made chiefly to the United States, St. Pierre and Miquelon, New Zealand and the United Kingdom.

1. The first section of the report deals with the general conditions of the agricultural industry in Canada during the year 1911. It discusses the various factors which have influenced the production and distribution of agricultural products, and the changes which have taken place in the industry since the previous year.

2. The second section of the report deals with the production of the principal agricultural products of Canada. It gives a detailed account of the production of wheat, oats, barley, and other cereals, and of the production of livestock, including cattle, horses, and sheep.

3. The third section of the report deals with the distribution of agricultural products. It discusses the various methods of transportation, and the changes which have taken place in the distribution of agricultural products since the previous year.

4. The fourth section of the report deals with the prices of agricultural products. It gives a detailed account of the prices of the principal agricultural products, and discusses the factors which have influenced the prices.

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1. Production of Boots and Shoes in Canada, August, 1931.

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	195,713	7,661	33,009	20,395	17,866	274,644
McKays, and all imitation welts	65,245	27,383	604,193	92,231	27,327	816,379
Turns	3,291	645	29,205	605	7,063	40,809
Nailed, pegged, screw or wire fastened	115,390	38,636	5,139	4,931	752	164,848
Stitchdowns	24,275	5,837	23,338	63,611	31,481	148,542
All other	2,779	-	4,376	612	14,611	22,378
Totals	406,693	80,162	699,260	182,385	99,100	1,467,600
(b) Shoepacks, larrigans and moccasins, (oil tan)	2,654	1,685	20	69	-	4,428
(bb)Moccasins for outdoor wear (Other than oil tan)	2,952	1,243	992	763	-	5,950
(c) Footwear of all kinds with felt uppers	11,660	753	13,312	2,810	1,406	29,941
(d) Cloth, carpet, boudoir and Indian slippers	10,484	1,772	90,734	10,567	5,530	119,087
Total Footwear	434,443	85,615	804,318	196,594	106,036	1,627,006

2. Comparative Statistics of the Production of Boots and Shoes in Canada, for the Month of August, 1930.

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	230,194	5,991	38,238	15,988	16,133	306,544
McKays, and all imitation welts	78,660	33,129	501,905	86,501	22,554	722,749
Turns	6,671	-	45,725	-	2,377	54,773
Nailed, pegged, screw or wire fastened	101,196	36,373	4,242	2,471	26	144,308
Stitchdowns	17,092	1,754	15,375	59,894	35,595	129,710
All other	256	-	62	-	10,281	10,599
Totals	434,069	77,247	605,547	164,854	86,966	1,368,683
(b) Shoepacks, larrigans and moccasins, (Oil tan)	5,682	1,696	481	1,290	-	9,149
(bb)Moccasins for outdoor wear (Other than oil tan)	2,992	316	3,157	783	1,529	8,777
(c) Footwear of all kinds with felt uppers	15,456	584	18,836	4,052	1,450	40,378
(d) Cloth, carpet, boudoir and Indian slippers	6,896	1,565	91,062	11,368	4,808	115,699
Total Footwear	465,095	81,408	719,083	182,347	94,753	1,542,686

3. Cumulative Production of Boots and Shoes for the eight months ended August 31, 1931.

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	1,602,619	60,261	329,533	131,246	145,721	2,269,380
McKays, and all imitation welts	500,672	274,694	4,101,661	780,290	235,505	5,892,822
Turns	13,949	1,557	217,945	8,761	58,323	300,535
Nailed, pegged, screw or wire fastened	780,447	237,399	30,040	24,298	2,134	1,074,318
Stitchdowns	205,945	56,636	213,465	668,166	295,236	1,439,448
All other	6,453	-	7,818	3,177	103,679	121,127
Totals	3,110,085	630,547	4,900,462	1,615,938	840,598	11,097,630
(b) Shoepacks, larrigans and moccasins (oil tan)	18,265	7,187	290	1,335	25	27,102
(bb) Moccasins for outdoor wear (other than oil tan)	14,403	3,991	6,602	4,150	6,545	35,691
(c) Footwear of all kinds with felt uppers	89,516	6,942	70,921	14,715	5,057	187,151
(d) Cloth, carpet, boudoir and Indian Slippers	53,909	8,551	572,550	49,011	31,210	715,231
Total Footwear	3,286,178	657,218	5,550,825	1,685,149	883,435	12,062,805

4. Cumulative Production of Boots and Shoes for the eight months ended August 31, 1930.

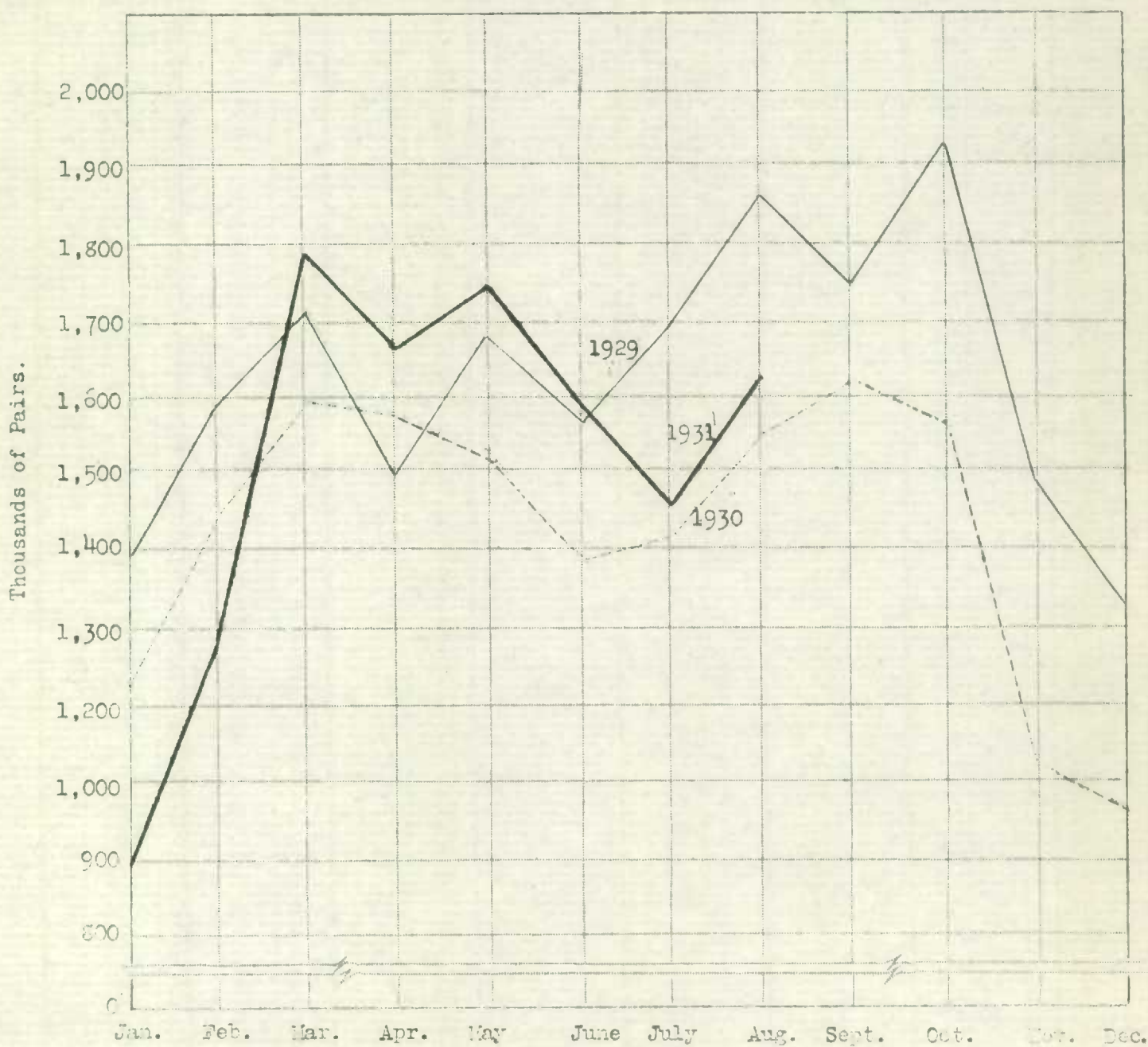
Process	Men's	Boys' and Youths'	Women's	Misses and Children's	Babies and Infants	Total
	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair
(a) Boots and Shoes with leather or fabric uppers-Welts	1,688,085	59,905	344,257	169,333	159,605	2,421,185
McKays, and all imitation welts	497,894	264,832	3,636,264	677,640	130,838	5,207,468
Turns	30,027	2,355	300,824	9,574	23,906	366,686
Nailed, pegged, screw or wire fastened	743,060	221,088	27,314	21,189	8,132	1,020,783
Stitchdowns	215,327	48,940	200,299	633,951	425,116	1,524,633
All other	5,071	-	1,687	5,976	86,209	98,943
Totals	3,179,464	597,120	4,510,645	1,518,663	833,806	10,639,698
(b) Shoepacks, larrigans and moccasins (oil tan)	20,091	8,831	584	3,137	53	32,696
(bb) Moccasins for outdoor wear (other than oil tan)	22,471	4,627	15,299	4,003	3,024	49,424
(c) Footwear of all kinds with felt uppers	168,279	18,834	167,371	46,790	10,733	412,007
(d) Cloth, carpet, boudoir and Indian Slippers	38,802	9,726	450,016	50,930	46,842	596,316
Total Footwear	3,429,107	639,138	5,143,915	1,623,523	894,458	11,730,141

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5. Total Production of Boots and Shoes in Canada, by Months, 1927 to 1931.

Month	1927	1928	1929	1930	1931
	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair
January	1,407,163	1,482,914	1,378,219	1,233,321	984,924
February	1,510,942	1,665,304	1,585,378	1,446,610	1,276,965
March	1,787,581	1,947,380	1,712,852	1,594,865	1,729,930
April	1,566,750	1,711,543	1,492,526	1,574,405	1,669,917
May	1,603,886	1,697,259	1,688,350	1,524,938	1,740,792
June	1,612,791	1,739,697	1,569,576	1,398,444	1,576,449
July	1,503,578	1,632,876	1,688,035	1,414,872	1,456,822
August	1,855,391	1,829,964	1,854,773	1,542,686	1,627,006
September	1,719,693	1,643,759	1,737,939	1,615,859	
October	1,711,244	1,838,624	1,936,372	1,552,392	
November	1,615,667	1,555,467	1,473,741	1,124,798	
December	1,622,532	1,260,576	1,317,756	1,064,192	

Chart showing the Production of Boots and Shoes in Canada, by Months, 1929 to 1931.



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