

Overall Status of China's Leather, Fur, Finished Products and Footwear Industries in 2015

China Leather Industry Association

1. The whole industry chain achieved a steady growth in sales revenue, while decreased in export

The sales revenue of the leather, fur, leather and fur products and footwear industries in 2015 achieved an increase of 6.1%, declined 3 percentage points in growth rate from previous year.

(The above figures are derived from enterprises of which the annual sales revenue exceeds RMB 20 million or above)

The exports of the above industries in 2015 totaled USD 86.1 billion, with a decrease of 3.1% year-on-year, and the growth rate declined by 10.3 percentage points. The imports reached USD 9.6 billion, up 2.1% and the growth rate increased by 8.6 percentage points.

2. Tanning Industry

The total output of finished leather in 2015 produced by 607 medium and large sized tanneries was 6000 million SQM, an increase of 2.2% compared to the previous year.

The exports of finished leather reached 39,224 tons valued at USD 612.2million, increasing by 19.1% and 20.2% respectively compared to last year.

A total of 1.37 million tons of raw hide/skin valued at USD 3.06 billion were imported, increasing by 5.7% and declining by 11.0% year on year. 739.8 thousand tons of semi-finished valued at USD 1.81 billion were imported, down by 8.0% in terms of volume and down 5.4% in value compared to last year. The imports of finished leather reached 160.7 thousand tons in volume and USD 2.63 billion in value, decreasing by 11.1% and 9.6% respectively in comparison to 2014.

3. Footwear Industry

Last year the output of leather shoes produced by medium and large sized manufacturers totaled 4.56 billion pairs with a year-on-year rise of 1.2%.

Exports of all kinds of shoes totaled 9.87 billion pairs, with a value of USD 51.1 billion, decreasing by 8.1% and 5.1% respectively year-on-year. Imports of shoes reached 97.0 million pairs totaling USD 2.5 billion, 32.4% and 20.1% up respectively compared to last year.

Among the export figures, leather shoes accounted for 839 million pairs at a value of USD 12.1 billion, down by 13.0% and 11.8% respectively, while the imports of leather shoes amounted to 38.8 million pairs and USD 1.5 billion, increasing by 23.1% and 6.4% respectively.

4. Leather Garments Industry

In 2015, the output of leather garments totaled 80.3 million pieces, with a decrease of 7.4% year-on-year.

The volume and value of leather garments exports were 8.3 million pieces and USD 369.7 million, reducing by 15.4% and 34.2% respectively compared to last year. Total import amounted to 404 thousand pieces, USD 101.9 million in terms of value, up by 42.2% and down by 12.0% respectively.

5. Luggage and Bags Industry

The value of luggage and bag exports reached to USD 28.2 billion, up by 3.9% year-on-year. While the value of imports reached USD 1.8 billion, up by 3.3%.

6. Fur Industry

The output of fur garments totaled 5.2 million pieces, with a decline of 3.7% year-on-year.

The exports of fur garments reached 3.4 million pieces valued at USD 2.2 billion, decreasing by 10.2% and 21.4% respectively compared to last year. The value of other fur products exports was USD 1.1 billion, declining by 15.7%.

The imports of fur garments reached 31.6 thousand pieces valued at USD 34.3 million, increasing by 0.1% in volume and decreasing 2.4% in value comparing to 2014. The value of other fur products exports was USD 1.1 billion, declining by 15.7%. The value of other fur products imports was USD 1.1 billion, increasing by 27.7%.