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Statistics on Import, Production and Employment provided by the United States Delegation

Table 1.- Imports of women's fur-felt hat bodies into the United States, January-November 1950, classified by value brackets.

(Figures as originally published have been revised to include certain women's hat bodies previously erroneously reported as men's hats).

Value bracket	January through November 1950			
	As published		As revised	
	quantity (in actual number)	Value	Quantity (in actual number)	Value
Valued not over \$6 per dozen -----	25,808	\$18,682	26,888	\$19,527
Valued over \$6, not over \$9 per dozen --	29,528	21,469	29,528	21,469
Valued over \$9, not over \$12 per dozen -	869,557	753,173	992,004	858,658
Valued over \$12, not over \$15 per dozen -	1,128,595	1,240,589	1,361,983	1,508,379
Valued over \$15, not over \$18 per dozen -	233,558	296,436	242,787	316,509
Valued over \$18, not over \$24 per dozen -	206,693	359,786	233,535	404,175
Valued over \$24, not over \$30 per dozen -	57,112	129,360	58,272	131,895
Valued over \$30, not over \$48 per dozen -	109,517	287,841	150,971	392,039
Valued over \$48 per dozen -----	12,330	108,376	12,403	109,209
Total -----	2,672,698	3,215,712	3,108,371	3,761,860

Table 3.- Women's fur felt hat bodies: United States production, ^{1/} and imports for consumption, by months, 1948, 1949, and January - November 1950

(Note.- Table includes for 1950 the reported imports of men's hats valued up to \$50 per dozen. It is believed that all such hats were actually women's hat bodies, but incorrectly classified. This note applies only to 1950. It is believed that none were misclassified before that time.)

Month	U.S. production			U.S. imports for consumption	
	1948	1949	1950 2/	1948	1949
January	31,368	22,127	21,187	183	169
February	24,768	17,060	14,025	72	188
March	22,815	13,157	18,188	898	1,747
April	27,380	26,032	23,512	1,346	1,639
May	45,505	49,262	53,730	1,391	5,796
June	96,029	76,012	72,593	3,935	7,332
July	81,935	71,120	94,397	6,945	19,893
August	92,252	77,085	125,678	11,312	22,069
September	76,672	81,882	87,448	10,556	30,616
October	60,315	54,357	62,536	6,232	22,291
November	33,772	32,495	33,969	1,694	6,090
December	36,423	45,180	n.s.	82	2,681
Total	629,235	565,768	3/ 607,265	44,646	120,511

^{1/} Production is based on shipments reported monthly to the Hat Institute Inc., by its members, and estimated to cover of the total United States industry. The data in the table have been adjusted to cover 100 percent of the total of the United States. Actual shipments (as reported) and production may differ considerably from month to month, but normally low inventories at the end of the calendar year would differ little from year to year.

^{2/} Preliminary.
^{3/} Eleven months only.

Source: Compiled from statistics supplied by the Hat Institute Inc.

Table 4. Employment and Unemployment Statistics
Relevant to the Situation in the Fur Felt Hat Industry
January 1947 to June 1950

Description	<u>1947</u>		<u>1948</u>		<u>1949</u>		<u>1950 Jan. to June</u>	
	Average Number	Index	Average Number	Index	Average Number	Index	Average Number	Index based on Jan. to June '47
Production & related workers in all manufacturing (1)	12,794,000	100	12,717,000	99.4	11,597,000	90.6	11,660,000	91.1
Production workers in fur felt hat and hat body industry (1)	11,500	100	10,900	94.8	9,300	80.9	8,800	77.2
Weekly hours of production & related workers in manufacturing (1)	40.4	100	40.1	99.3	39.2	97.0	39.9	98.8
Weekly hours of production workers in fur felt hat & hat body industry (1)	36.9	100	36.5	98.9	35.3	95.7	34.7	92.8
Employment in the hat industry in Norwalk(1)	2,453	100	2,565	104.6	2,464	100.4	2,408	97.1
Unemployment in Norwalk(1)	1,300	100	900	69.2	1,800	138.5	2,000	125.0
Employment in the hat industry in Danbury(1)	4,626	100	4,584	99.1	4,109	88.8	4,003	88.2
Unemployment in Danbury(1)	1,200	100	1,500	125.0	2,000	166.7	1,900	146.2

(1) Source: U.S. Department of Labor
(2) Source: Hat Institute
(3) Based on monthly average for full year 1947; half year not available

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