The Status of China's Leather and Leather Goods Industries of 2011.

The figures for production volume of leather and leather products list below are derived from those companies whose annual sales revenue is above RMB 20 million or about USD 3.17 million.

- A. Generally speaking, China's Leather and Leather Goods Industries of 2011 experienced a big increase in the past year. The total industry production value was USD 136.17 billion, increased by 25.1% year-on-year.
- B. The total exports and import were USD 65.7 billion and 7.4 billion, increased by 22% and 20.4% year-on-year respectively.

a. Raw Hides and Skins

--- The exports of raw hides and skins of 2011 were 7 thousand tons, USD 8 million, an increase of 53.3% and 110.4% respectively compared to last year. The imports of raw hides and skins of 2011 were 1.22 million tons, USD 2.78 billion, a decrease of 1% and 36.9% respectively compared to last year. The top 5 sources of imports are USA (accounts for 40.4% of total value of import), Australia (22.5%), UK(6.8%), Canada (6%) and New Zealand (3.9%).

b. Semi-Finished Leather

--- The export of semi-finished leather of 2011 was 9.37 thousand tons, USD 32.31 million, a decrease of 26.7% and 1.2% respectively compared to last year. The imports of semi-finished leather of 2011 was 753 thousand tons, USD 1.4 billion, an increase of 2% and 9.5% respectively compared to last year. The top 5 sources of import are Brazil (accounts for 24.4% of total value of import), USA (15.8%), Argentina (7.2%), Vietnam (5.9%) and The Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu (5.6%).

c. Finished Leather

--- The total output of light leather in 2011 was 680 million sqm, an increase of 11.3% compared to the previous year. The export of finished leather of 2011 was 33 thousand tons, USD 410 million, an increase of 2.0% and 10.0% respectively compared to last year. The top 5 destinations of export are Hong Kong (accounts for 45.9% of total value of export), Italy (13.1%), Vietnam (7.3%), Spain (4.2%) and USA (4.1%). The import of finished leather of 2011 was 198 thousand tons, USD 2.66 billion, a decrease of 8.1% and an increase of 1.3% respectively compared to last year. The top 5 sources of import are Italy (account for 22.2% of total value of import), S.Korea (15.3%), India (10.9%), The Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu (10.6%) and Brazil (7%).

d. Shoes

---- The total output of leather shoes in 2011 was 4.27 billion pairs, an increase of 16.1% compared to the previous year. Among which, the export volume of leather shoes of 2011 was 910 million pairs, USD 10.95 billion, a decrease of 8.9% and an increase of 4.7% respectively compared to last year; the import volume of leather shoes was 20.37 million pairs and USD 900 million in terms of value, an increase of 30.6% and 57.6% respectively compared to last year. The export volume of rubber and plastic shoes of 2011 was 6.52 billion pairs, USD 18.26 billion, an increase of 6.8% and 21.7% respectively compared to last year; the import volume of rubber and plastic shoes of 2011 was 11.43 million pairs, USD 166 million, an increase of 27.1% and 32.6% respectively compared to last year. The export volume of textile shoes of 2011 was 1.86 billion pairs, USD 7.08 billion, an increase of 3.7% and 25.7% respectively compared to last year; the import volume of textile shoes of 2011 was 10.65 million pairs, USD 200 million, an increase of 39.5% and 49% respectively compared to last year. The export volume of other shoes of 2011 was 880 million pairs, USD 3.08 billion, a decrease of 14.9% and an increase of 19.9% respectively compared to last year; the import volume of other shoes of 2011 was 620 thousand pairs, USD 22.72 million, a decrease of 2.1% and an increase of 71.1% respectively compared to last year.

The top 5 destinations of export of all kinds of shoes are USA (accounts for 30% of total value of export), EU (20.5%), Japan (5.9%), Russia (4.7%) and ASEAN (3.5%). The top 5 sources of import of all kinds of shoes are EU (accounts for 37.5% of total value of import), ASEAN (36.4%), Switzerland (1.6%), India (1.4%) and Brazil (0.5%).

e. Leather Garments

---- The total output of leather garments in 2011 was 63.55 million pieces, an increase of 1.5% compared to the previous year. The export volume and value of leather garments 2011 were 13.68 million pieces and USD 670 million, a decrease of 25.7% and 21.7% respectively compared to last year; The import volume was 450 thousand pieces, USD 120 million in terms of value, an increase of 119.2% and 97.9% year-on-year.

f. Leather Luggage and Bags

---- The export and import values of leather luggage and bags in 2011 were USD 23.94 billion and USD 1.36 billion, increased by 32.9% and 48.6% respectively than last year.