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Summary Highlights of Economic Conditions in the Nonrubber Footwear Industry in the Fourth Calendar Quarter of 1985

U.S. production.--Preliminary data indicate that domestic production of nonrubber footwear during the fourth quarter of 1985 declined by 3 percent from the corresponding period of 1984 to 64.6 million pairs. Production for the full year 1985 amounted to 267.4 million pairs, a decline of 11 percent from 1984 (table 1).

U.S. producers' shipments.--Preliminary data for the fourth quarter of 1985 indicate that producers' nonrubber footwear shipments also declined by 3 percent from the year-earlier level to \$1.0 billion. Shipments for the full year 1985 amounted to \$3.7 billion, a decline of 17 percent from 1984 (table 2).

U.S. imports.--U.S. imports of nonrubber footwear totaled 194.4 million pairs in the fourth quarter of 1985, a 45-percent increase over the year-earlier period (table 6). The fourth quarter growth in imports brought the 1985 total to a record 843 million pairs, valued at \$5.4 billion, an increase of 16 percent or almost 117 million pairs over the previous high of 726 million pairs, valued at \$4.7 billion, in 1984. All the major foreign suppliers expanded their shipments to the U.S. market in 1985, with imports from Taiwan increasing 21 percent over the 1984 level to 372.5 million pairs and those from Korea increasing by 16 percent to 137.2 million pairs. Imports from Brazil, the third largest supplier which posted a 70-percent annual increase in its shipments in 1984, rose by only 3 percent in 1985 to 113.2 million pairs. The greatest percentage growth among the important suppliers was recorded in imports from China, which, after climbing 77 percent in 1984, increased by another 64 percent in 1985 to 20.8 million pairs.

U.S. exports.--U.S. exports in the fourth quarter of 1985 totaled 3.2 million pairs, valued at \$24.0 million, representing an increase of 16 percent from a year ago. Exports for all of 1985 totaled 11.3 million pairs, valued at \$99.6 million, representing a 28-percent gain over 1984 (tables 13-15). They accounted for 4 percent of total production in 1985.

Apparent U.S. consumption.--Preliminary data indicate that apparent consumption of nonrubber footwear in the fourth quarter of 1985 increased by 29 percent in quantity and 20 percent in value from year-earlier levels to 255.8 million pairs, valued at \$2.4 billion. Apparent consumption for the full year 1985 amounted to 1.1 billion pairs, valued at \$9.1 billion, representing an 8-percent increase in quantity and almost no change in value from 1984 (tables 1 and 2).

Ratio of imports to consumption.--Preliminary data for the fourth quarter of 1985 show that imports' share of the U.S. nonrubber footwear market averaged 76 percent in terms of quantity and 58 percent in terms of value. For the full year 1985, imports captured a record share of the U.S. market, accounting for 77 percent of the quantity and 60 percent of the value (tables 1 and 2). In 1984, they accounted for 71 percent of the quantity and 51 percent of the value.

Prices.--The Producer Price Index for footwear in the fourth quarter of 1985 increased by 4 percent and the Consumer Price Index increased by 1 percent from their respective year-earlier levels (table 5).

Employment and unemployment rate.--Preliminary employment data show that the number of persons employed in the U.S. nonrubber footwear industry during the fourth quarter of 1985 declined by 8 percent from that in the corresponding period of 1984, averaging 104,900 persons. Preliminary data for all of 1985 show that employment fell by 13 percent from the 1984 level to an average of 104,800 persons (tables 3). The unemployment rate in the leather and leather products industry for the fourth quarter of 1985 was 13.1 percent, compared with 13.8 percent in the corresponding period of 1984 (table 5). The unemployment rate for 1985 (yearly average) was 12.2 percent. ^{1/}

Price range trend of U.S. imports.--In 1985, a significant increase occurred in almost all categories of nonrubber footwear imports valued between \$2.51-\$5 per pair; sizable increases also occurred in imports valued over \$8.01 per pair, especially athletic shoes (table 9).

Imports of certain rubber footwear.--Imports of footwear with fabric uppers and soles of rubber or plastics, another sector of the footwear industry, including sneakers, joggers, and certain casual shoes and slippers, increased by 15 percent in the fourth quarter of 1985 from those in the year-earlier period to 18 million pairs, valued at \$43 million. Imports of such footwear for the full year 1985 decreased by 22 percent over 1984 to 84 million pairs, valued at \$191 million (tables 10 and 11).

Plant closings and openings.--The Footwear Industries of America, Inc. (FIA), the nonrubber footwear industry's trade association, provided a list showing that 58 shoe factories ceased operations in 1985 (see page 26). A total of 20 factories were reported to have closed in New England, 9 in New York, 8 in Tennessee, and 5 in Pennsylvania. The factory closings ranged from single-plant operations to major publicly held shoe firms, and involved a broad range of items, including slippers, boots, athletic shoes, dress and casual shoes, and children's footwear. It is believed that a majority of the factories were manufacturers of nonrubber footwear. FIA also stated that there were approximately 9 new entrants into the nonrubber footwear industry. The Commission did not independently verify the information provided by FIA on plant closings and openings.

^{1/} Data on monthly unemployment rates are subject to considerable fluctuation because of the small sample used and, consequently, should be used with caution. ²

Table 1.—Nonrubber footwear: Quantity of U.S. production, imports for consumption, and apparent consumption, by quarters, 1983–85

Quarter	Production			Imports			Apparent consumption 1/			Ratio of imports to consumption		
				Percent-			Percent-			Percent-		
	1983	1984	1985 2/	age change, 1985 from 1984	1983	1984	1985	1983	1984	1985	1983	1984
Million pairs												
First quarter	90.7	86.0	66.7	-22	160.4	193.1	218.3	13	249.4	277.6	282.6	2
Second quarter 6-month total or average	85.1	80.4	69.2	-14	137.2	186.9	212.8	14	220.3	265.1	279.5	5
Third quarter 9-month total or average	82.0	68.2	66.9	-2	142.4	211.6	217.2	3	222.5	277.7	280.8	1
Fourth quarter	81.4	66.7	64.6	-3	141.8	134.3	194.4	45	221.4	198.3	255.8	29
Grand total or yearly average	339.2	301.4	267.4	-11	581.8	725.9	842.7	16	913.6	1,018.7	1,098.8	8

1/ Includes deductions for exports, which totaled 7.4 million pairs in 1983, 8.8 million pairs in 1984 and 11.3 million pairs in 1985. In 1985, total exports accounted for 4 percent of total production.

2/ Preliminary.

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Note.—Because of rounding, figures may not add to the totals shown.

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Table 2.—Nonrubber footwear: Value of U.S. producers' shipments, imports for consumption, and apparent consumption, by quarters, 1983–85

Quarter	Producers' shipments			Imports			Apparent consumption 1/			Ratio of imports to consumption		
	1983	1984	1985 2/	Percent-			1983	1984	1985	Percent-	1983	1984
				age change, 1985 from 1984	1983	1984	1985	1985 change, 1985 from 1984	1984	1985	1983	1984
Million dollars												Percent
First quarter—	1,210.1	1,177.9	816.6	-32	926.7	1,149.2	1,295.9	13	2,114.1	2,306.4	2,087.2	-10
Second quarter—	1,128.8	1,124.5	832.8	-26	809.3	1,048.2	1,154.5	10	1,914.7	2,147.8	1,963.2	-9
6-month total or average—	2,338.9	2,302.4	1,649.4	-28	1,736.0	2,197.4	2,450.4	12	4,028.8	4,454.2	4,050.4	-9
Third quarter—	1,207.7	1,168.6	1,068.2	-9	1,016.2	1,483.2	1,573.9	6	2,202.0	2,626.1	2,615.9	3/
9-month total or average—	3,546.6	3,471.0	2,717.6	-22	2,752.3	3,680.7	4,024.3	9	6,230.8	7,080.3	6,666.3	-6
Fourth quarter—	1,211.8	1,060.9	1,025.3	-3	909.5	970.6	1,401.3	44	2,099.5	2,004.4	2,402.6	20
Grand total or yearly average—	4,758.4	4,532.0	3,742.9	-17	3,661.8	4,651.3	5,425.6	17	8,330.3	9,084.7	9,068.9	3/
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1/ Includes deductions for exports, which totaled \$91.0 million in 1983, \$97.3 million in 1984, and \$99.6 million in 1985. In 1985, total exports accounted for 3 percent of producers' shipments.

2/ Preliminary.

3/ Less than 0.5 percent.

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Note.—Because of rounding, figures may not add to the totals shown.

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Table 3.—Nonrubber footwear: Average number of employees, total and production workers, by months, January 1983–December 1985

Month	All employees			Production workers			
	1983	1984	1985	Percent-age change, 1985 from 1984	1983	1984	Percent-age change, 1985 from 1984
Thousands							Thousands
January	128.4	125.8	105.5	-16	108.7	107.2	89.1
February	127.5	125.1	104.4	-17	108.3	106.5	88.0
March	126.9	124.2	103.0	-17	107.7	105.6	86.5
Average	127.6	125.0	104.3	-17	108.2	106.4	87.9
April	127.4	124.7	103.6	-17	107.8	106.3	87.1
May	129.0	125.4	105.6	-16	110.0	106.8	89.5
June	130.2	125.7	106.8	-15	110.8	107.1	91.1
Average	128.9	125.3	105.3	-16	109.5	106.7	89.2
6-month average	128.2	125.2	104.8	-16	108.9	106.6	88.5
July	118.5	116.2	100.5	-14	100.5	98.9	85.3
August	129.5	120.5	107.1	-11	111.0	102.8	91.5
September	129.2	117.4	105.5	-10	110.6	99.7	90.1
Average	125.7	118.0	104.4	-12	107.4	100.5	89.0
October	128.3	115.9	105.0	-9	109.8	98.3	89.8
November	128.5	115.3	1/ ¹ 105.2	1/ ¹ -9	110.2	97.8	1/ ¹ 89.5
December	125.7	112.4	1/ ¹ 104.4	1/ ¹ -7	107.0	95.1	1/ ¹ 88.8
Average	127.5	114.5	1/ ¹ 104.9	1/ ¹ -8	109.0	97.1	1/ ¹ 89.4
6-month average	126.6	116.3	1/ ¹ 104.7	1/ ¹ -10	108.2	98.8	1/ ¹ 89.2
Yearly average	127.4	120.7	1/ ¹ 104.8	1/ ¹ -13	108.5	102.7	1/ ¹ 88.9

1/ Preliminary.

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

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Table 4.—Nonrubber footwear: U.S. production, imports for consumption, exports of domestic merchandise, apparent consumption, average number of employees, total and production workers, and unemployment rate, 1970-85

Year	Production	Imports	Exports	Apparent consumption	Ratio of imports to consumption	Average number of employees		Unemployment rate 1/ Percent
						All workers	Production workers	
<u>-Million pairs—</u>								
1970	562.3	241.7	2.2	801.8	30	213.6	185.5	
1971	535.8	268.6	2.1	802.3	33	200.6	173.6	6.9
1972	526.7	296.7	2.3	821.1	36	193.3	168.3	8.0
1973	490.0	307.5	3.6	793.9	39	182.9	158.5	7.2
1974	453.0	266.4	4.0	715.4	37	172.4	148.9	6.1
1975	413.1	286.4	4.6	694.9	41	157.7	136.4	7.5
1976	422.5	370.0	6.0	786.5	47	164.2	143.7	12.9
1977	418.4	368.1	5.4	781.1	47	156.9	136.5	10.5
1978	418.9	313.5	6.9	785.5	48	158.4	138.1	11.0
1979	398.9	404.6	9.3	794.2	51	148.9	128.0	8.8
1980	386.3	365.7	13.0	739.0	49	143.6	122.9	8.0
1981	372.0	375.6	11.2	736.4	51	146.4	125.9	7.7
1982	359.1	479.6	8.8	829.9	58	135.1	115.1	12.5
1983	339.2	581.8	7.4	913.6	64	127.4	108.5	16.8
1984	301.4	725.9	8.8	1,018.5	71	120.7	102.7	17.8
1985	2/ 267.4	842.7	11.3	1,098.8	77	2/ 104.8	2/ 88.9	14.4
								12.2

1/ For the leather and leather products industry (SIC 31). Approximately two-thirds of the workers in the leather and leather products industry are nonrubber footwear workers, for whom separate data are not available.

2/ Preliminary.

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce and the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

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Table 5.—Unemployment rate for the leather and leather products industry (SIC 31),^{1/} Producer Price Index for footwear (BLS code 043), and Consumer Price Index for footwear of leather and non-leather, by months, January 1983–December 1985

Month	Unemployment rate 2/		Producer Price Index (1967=100.0) 3/			Consumer Price Index (1967=100.0) 3/		
	1983	1984	1985	1983	1984	1985	1984	1985
Percent								
January	20.3	12.8	16.5	251.5	250.9	252.4	204.8	206.7
February	22.3	18.5	13.4	247.7	252.5	256.6	205.6	206.4
March	16.3	13.7	15.1	248.1	253.5	255.5	206.6	207.7
Average	19.6	15.0	15.0	249.1	252.3	254.8	205.7	206.9
April	21.3	18.4	15.9	250.0	251.6	255.3	207.5	208.9
May	22.1	10.4	9.2	248.7	251.8	253.9	208.0	210.2
June	19.7	13.3	7.7	249.9	250.3	257.1	206.8	209.6
Average	21.0	14.0	10.9	249.5	251.2	255.4	207.4	209.6
6-month average	20.3	14.5	13.0	249.3	251.8	255.1	206.6	208.3
July	19.1	14.6	9.3	249.9	250.1	257.2	203.8	208.0
August	20.8	16.5	8.7	250.9	250.9	258.5	205.7	207.7
September	16.6	13.0	11.0	251.6	252.1	259.3	208.0	211.1
Average	18.8	14.7	9.7	250.8	251.0	258.3	205.8	208.9
October	11.6	19.2	10.0	251.3	252.2	259.6	208.6	212.9
November	12.8	10.9	13.6	251.3	249.1	259.2	209.1	212.9
December	10.0	11.4	15.7	250.3	249.6	258.9	207.9	211.4
Average	11.5	13.8	13.1	251.0	250.3	259.2	208.5	212.4
6-month average	15.2	14.3	11.1	250.9	250.7	258.8	207.2	210.7
Yearly average	17.8	14.4	12.2	250.1	251.2	257.0	206.9	209.5

1/ Approximately two-thirds of the workers in the leather and leather products industry are nonrubber footwear workers, for whom separate data are not available.

2/ Monthly unemployment rate data are subject to considerable fluctuation because the sample is extremely small; they should be used with caution.

3/ Data unadjusted for seasonal variations.

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

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Table 6.--Nonrubber footwear: 1/ Quantity of U.S. imports for consumption, by principal sources, October-December 1983-85, and annual 1983-85
(In thousands of pairs)

Source	October-December--			Percentage change,			1985	1984	1983	Percentage change, Oct. - Dec. 1985 from Oct. Dec. 1984	Percentage change, from 1985 to 1984
	1983	1984	1985	Dec.	Oct.	-					
Total, all countries-----	141,838	134,283	194,410	45	581	8,37	725	865	842	676	16
Taiwan-----	60,945	55,155	82,970	50	243	4,30	307	115	372	476	21
Korea-----	31,148	18,551	39,077	111	118	8,54	118	282	137	150	16
Brazil-----	18,773	25,543	25,556	2/	64	3,91	109	711	113	198	3
Italy-----	8,219	10,067	14,796	47	56	3,55	62	944	74	715	19
Spain-----	6,595	7,749	10,272	33	26	7,06	36	230	39	808	10
Hong Kong-----	4,979	5,135	6,242	22	18	1,86	27	627	34	622	25
China-----	1,831	1,933	3,897	102	7	1,67	12	659	20	801	64
France-----	1,772	1,361	1,657	22	4	2,54	5	774	6	741	17
Thailand-----	698	636	1,287	103	5	142	5	227	4	937	6
Yugoslavia-----	661	618	940	52	2	583	2	953	3	47	18
Philippines-----	1,151	983	906	-8	7	632	7	835	6	357	-19
Canada-----	819	1,051	867	-18	2	357	3	181	3	328	5
Romania-----	514	895	843	-6	3	606	2	931	2	952	1
Mexico-----	740	826	684	-17	4	224	5	530	3	524	-36
Japan-----	896	689	510	-26	3	649	3	961	2	845	-28
Portugal-----	186	276	416	50	1	622	1	154	1	59	39
Czechoslovakia-----	235	188	390	107	1	076	1	016	1	122	10
West Germany-----	228	311	363	17	1	078	1	391	1	552	12
Poland-----	115	138	332	140	1	665	1	582	1	905	55
United Kingdom-----	213	206	315	53	1	733	1	894	1	186	33
India-----	76	255	202	-21	1	098	1	400	1	395	71
Greece-----	132	121	179	68	1	952	1	750	1	727	-3
Switzerland-----	73	125	174	59	329	1	447	817	83	83	83
Haiti-----	450	294	171	-42	1	529	1	059	407	-62	-62
Hungary-----	306	126	169	34	1	236	1	236	640	2/	2/
Columbia-----	72	76	129	70	1	212	1	557	429	-23	-23
Argentina-----	88	13	101	652	1	44	1	44	122	47	47
Uruguay-----	79	141	91	-35	250	1	510	397	317	-22	-22
Macao-----	107	172	81	-53	247	1	360	317	126	-12	-12
Cameroon-----	0	0	73	3/	0	1	0	0	2,999	2,924	3/
All other-----	736	649	720	11	3,026	1	1	1	1	1	-3

1/ Excludes disposable footwear.

2/ Less than 0.5 percent.

3/ Not meaningful.

SOURCE: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Table 7.—Nonrubber footwear: 1/ Value of U.S. imports for consumption, by principal sources,
October-December 1983-85, and annual 1983-85
(In thousands of dollars)

Source	October-December--			Percentage change, Oct. - Dec. 1985 from Oct. Dec. 1984			1984	1985	1985	:Percentage change, 1985 from 1984
	1983	1984	1985	1983	1984	1985				
Total, all countries--	909,506	970,603	1,401,276	44	3,661,857	4,651,317	5,425,592	5,425,592	5,425,592	17
Taiwan--	303,680	273,932	421,554	54	1,079,368	1,357,248	1,686,167	1,686,167	1,686,167	24
Korea--	176,016	133,650	297,395	123	700,189	774,104	990,324	990,324	990,324	28
Brazil--	149,056	218,210	194,933	-11	513,181	853,519	866,031	866,031	866,031	1
Italy--	110,132	140,548	210,239	50	658,612	774,817	869,504	869,504	869,504	12
Spain--	61,306	178,482	118,640	51	254,731	365,560	416,318	416,318	416,318	14
Hong Kong--	15,193	15,827	21,051	33	98,690	70,095	87,178	87,178	87,178	14
China--	4,622	4,353	7,998	84	17,758	22,053	34,607	34,607	34,607	24
France--	13,496	24,486	29,113	19	74,108	95,609	118,983	118,983	118,983	24
Thailand--	2,768	3,481	6,567	89	13,438	16,831	18,752	18,752	18,752	11
Yugoslavia--	6,328	6,480	9,122	41	25,260	27,124	34,310	34,310	34,310	26
Philippines--	6,502	6,502	6,564	1	29,356	28,827	17,020	17,020	17,020	-41
Canada--	9,620	10,885	9,733	-11	26,347	33,471	34,649	34,649	34,649	4
Romania--	4,684	8,128	7,663	-6	29,990	25,365	24,706	24,706	24,706	-3
Mexico--	8,325	8,756	8,621	-2	31,380	38,125	35,774	35,774	35,774	-6
Japan--	3,489	2,978	2,566	-14	19,114	19,368	12,877	12,877	12,877	-34
Portugal--	2,573	3,534	6,375	80	8,296	14,116	20,937	20,937	20,937	48
Czechoslovakia--	2,320	2,100	3,194	52	10,035	9,211	10,279	10,279	10,279	12
West Germany--	3,792	4,600	5,746	25	16,198	18,897	21,534	21,534	21,534	14
Poland--	787	1,158	2,202	90	4,142	4,056	5,875	5,875	5,875	45
United Kingdom--	4,353	4,921	7,200	63	15,536	18,703	25,917	25,917	25,917	39
India--	771	2,754	2,473	-13	6,041	12,097	17,855	17,855	17,855	48
Greece--	1,422	1,321	2,477	87	9,524	7,797	7,921	7,921	7,921	2
Switzerland--	3,085	5,397	7,603	41	13,233	18,065	23,510	23,510	23,510	30
Haiti--	2,664	561	1,218	117	9,260	2,259	2,099	2,099	2,099	-7
Hungary--	3,114	1,016	1,459	44	11,621	6,735	5,592	5,592	5,592	-17
Columbia--	147	164	850	419	6,751	1,601	1,916	1,916	1,916	20
Argentina--	709	181	866	379	2,318	1,319	1,928	1,928	1,928	46
Uruguay--	819	1,936	1,299	-33	3,715	7,142	5,340	5,340	5,340	-25
Macao--	91	213	55	-74	193	324	303	303	303	-7
Cameroon--	0	0	252	2/	28	0	513	513	513	2/
All other--	7,693	6,450	8,252	28	29,473	26,879	28,845	28,845	28,845	7

1/ Excludes disposable footwear.
2/ Not meaningful.

SOURCE: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Table 8.--Nonrubber footwear: 1/ Average unit value 2/ of U.S. imports for consumption, by principal sources, October-December 1983-85, and annual 1983-85
(Per pair)

Source	October-December--			Percentage change,			1985	1984	1983	Oct.- Dec. 1985 from Oct. Dec. 1984	Percentage change, 1985 from 1984
	1983	1984	1985	Oct.- Dec. 1985 from Oct. Dec. 1984	1983	1984					
Total, all countries-----	6.41	7.23	7.21	3/	6.29	6.41	6.44	6.41	6.42	4.42	3/
Taiwan-----	4.98	4.97	5.08	2/	5.29	5.89	5.89	5.89	5.89	7.22	2/
Korea-----	5.65	7.20	7.61	-11	7.63	7.97	7.78	7.65	7.78	7.22	10
Brazil-----	7.94	8.54	13.96	14.21	14	11.69	12.31	11.64	11.69	11.64	-2
Italy-----	13.40	10.13	11.55	9	9.54	10.09	10.46	10.46	10.09	10.46	-5
Spain-----	9.30	3.08	3.37	-9	2.68	2.68	2.54	2.54	2.68	2.52	-4
Hong Kong-----	3.04	2.25	2.05	-2	2.48	1.74	1.74	1.74	1.74	1.66	-1
China-----	2.52	17.99	17.56	-7	17.42	16.56	17.65	17.65	17.42	17.65	-5
France-----	17.48	5.48	5.10	-8	2.61	3.22	3.80	3.80	2.61	3.80	18
Thailand-----	3.96	10.49	9.70	10	9.78	9.18	9.87	9.87	9.78	9.87	7
Yugoslavia-----	9.57	10.49	9.70	9	3.68	3.68	2.68	2.68	3.68	2.68	-27
Philippines-----	5.65	4.58	5.04	3/	11.18	10.52	10.41	10.41	11.18	10.41	-1
Canada-----	11.74	10.35	11.23	-2	8.32	8.65	8.37	8.37	8.32	8.65	-3
Romania-----	9.12	9.08	9.09	-1	7.43	6.89	10.15	10.15	7.43	6.89	47
Mexico-----	11.25	10.60	12.61	19	5.24	4.89	4.53	4.53	5.24	4.89	-7
Japan-----	3.89	4.32	5.04	17	13.34	12.23	13.10	13.10	13.34	12.23	-7
Portugal-----	13.84	12.78	15.33	20	9.32	9.06	9.16	9.16	9.32	9.06	-1
Czechoslovakia-----	9.86	11.14	8.18	-27	15.03	13.59	13.88	13.88	15.03	13.59	2
West Germany-----	16.62	14.78	15.82	-21	6.23	6.96	6.50	6.50	6.23	6.96	-7
Poland-----	6.82	8.37	6.63	-21	2.10	2.13	2.13	2.13	2.10	2.13	4
United Kingdom-----	20.64	21.45	22.87	7	21.20	20.92	21.85	21.85	21.20	20.92	-14
India-----	10.18	11.21	12.23	9	5.50	8.64	7.47	7.47	5.50	8.64	-14
Greece-----	10.73	10.96	13.84	26	10.01	10.40	10.90	10.90	10.01	10.40	5
Switzerland-----	41.99	43.14	43.73	1	40.17	40.40	28.76	28.76	40.17	40.40	-29
Haiti-----	5.92	1.91	7.10	272	6.06	2.13	5.16	5.16	6.06	2.13	142
Hungary-----	10.19	8.09	8.65	7	9.40	10.51	8.74	8.74	9.40	10.51	-17
Columbia-----	2.04	2.17	6.60	204	3.53	2.87	4.67	4.67	3.53	2.87	55
Argentina-----	8.06	13.53	8.61	-36	9.28	9.15	9.11	9.11	9.28	9.15	3/
Uruguay-----	10.36	13.74	14.25	4	14.86	14.00	13.46	13.46	14.86	14.00	-4
Macao-----	.85	1.24	.68	-45	.78	.90	.90	.90	.78	.90	6
All other-----	10.45	9.94	11.46	1/	15	9.74	8.96	8.96	9.74	8.96	4/
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1/ Excludes disposable footwear.

2/ Calculated from unrounded figures.

3/ Less than 0.5 percent.

4/ Not meaningful.

SOURCE: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

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Table 9.—Nonrubber footwear: U.S. imports and percentage distribution of shipments,
by types and by price ranges (per pair), 1982-85

Type and price range 1/	1982	1983	1984	1985	Percentage change, 1985 from 1984
Men's, youths' and boys' leather:					
Total quantity—1,000 pairs—	30,044	40,136	52,295	58,039	11
Less than \$1.25—do—	339	239	659	941	43
\$1.26 - \$2.50—do—	494	328	755	694	-8
\$2.51 - \$5.00—do—	2,804	5,568	4,672	6,050	29
\$5.01 - \$8.00—do—	6,959	10,005	11,898	11,664	-2
\$8.01 and over—do—	19,448	23,996	34,310	38,689	13
Women's and misses' leather:					
Total quantity—1,000 pairs—	94,806	131,077	180,285	205,941	14
Less than \$1.25—do—	600	913	3,589	4,382	22
\$1.26 - \$2.50—do—	1,642	2,776	4,238	8,064	90
\$2.51 - \$5.00—do—	20,183	28,510	27,358	33,293	22
\$5.01 - \$8.00—do—	26,768	40,753	58,567	66,601	14
\$8.01 and over—do—	45,611	58,125	86,533	93,601	8
Men's, youths', and boys' plastic:					
Total quantity—1,000 pairs—	24,961	27,440	31,029	43,164	39
Less than \$1.25—do—	3,068	3,831	4,700	5,355	14
\$1.26 - \$2.50—do—	4,231	4,335	3,737	4,250	14
\$2.51 - \$5.00—do—	7,740	10,366	12,268	19,344	58
\$5.01 - \$8.00—do—	8,035	7,550	9,131	12,873	41
\$8.01 and over—do—	1,888	1,358	1,193	1,341	12
Women's and misses' plastic:					
Total quantity—1,000 pairs—	122,081	127,236	180,029	213,277	18
Less than \$1.25—do—	16,610	18,932	39,798	40,222	1
\$1.26 - \$2.50—do—	22,628	20,869	24,876	23,194	-7
\$2.51 - \$5.00—do—	53,217	62,294	80,052	110,523	38
\$5.01 - \$8.00—do—	25,342	21,830	31,891	35,170	10
\$8.01 and over—do—	4,284	3,311	3,412	4,168	22
Leather athletic:					
Total quantity—1,000 pairs—	76,908	79,213	111,211	154,918	39
Less than \$1.25—do—	1,044	1,150	1,670	1,511	-10
\$1.26 - \$2.50—do—	207	577	502	1,193	138
\$2.51 - \$5.00—do—	13,408	21,560	23,488	30,673	31
\$5.01 - \$8.00—do—	36,257	29,061	45,303	55,598	23
\$8.01 and over—do—	25,993	26,864	40,249	65,943	64
Plastic athletic:					
Total quantity—1,000 pairs—	10,084	8,824	10,331	20,067	94
Less than \$1.25—do—	174	361	560	1,071	91
\$1.26 - \$2.50—do—	616	462	1,191	718	-40
\$2.51 - \$5.00—do—	7,031	5,678	5,126	13,117	156
\$5.01 - \$8.00—do—	1,130	1,017	1,504	2,497	66
\$8.01 and over—do—	1,133	1,306	1,950	2,664	37

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 9.—Nonrubber footwear: U.S. imports and percentage distribution of shipments, by types and by price ranges (per pair), 1982-85—Continued

Type and price range 1/	1982	1983	1984	1985	Percentage change, 1985 from 1984
Leather work:					
Total quantity—1,000 pairs—	6,874	8,044	9,059	10,166	12
Less than \$1.25—do—	1	1	23	4	-83
\$1.26 - \$2.50—do—	1	12	8	26	225
\$2.51 - \$5.00—do—	48	167	227	394	74
\$5.01 - \$8.00—do—	343	513	445	468	5
\$8.01 and over—do—	6,482	7,350	8,356	9,273	11
Children's and infants':					
Total quantity—1,000 pairs—	19,892	24,340	30,737	42,991	40
Less than \$1.25—do—	3,050	4,141	5,924	9,394	59
\$1.26 - \$2.50—do—	4,478	4,771	5,182	7,772	50
\$2.51 - \$5.00—do—	9,212	12,373	15,238	20,432	34
\$5.01 - \$8.00—do—	2,628	2,477	3,539	4,451	26
\$8.01 and over—do—	524	578	853	942	10
All other footwear: 2/					
Total quantity—1,000 pairs—	93,883	135,406	120,771	94,041	-22
Less than \$1.25—do—	34,066	32,891	40,392	50,622	25
\$1.26 - \$2.50—do—	8,014	11,602	12,618	13,767	9
\$2.51 - \$5.00—do—	17,476	42,059	31,903	14,713	-54
\$5.01 - \$8.00—do—	28,765	39,053	29,313	9,132	-69
\$8.01 and over—do—	5,563	9,800	6,545	5,807	-11
All categories:					
Total quantity—1,000 pairs—	479,534	581,716	725,746	842,603	16
Less than \$1.25—do—	58,951	62,458	97,314	113,502	17
\$1.26 - \$2.50—do—	42,310	45,733	53,107	59,678	12
\$2.51 - \$5.00—do—	131,120	188,576	200,332	248,539	24
\$5.01 - \$8.00—do—	136,226	152,260	191,591	198,455	4
\$8.01 and over—do—	110,926	132,689	183,402	222,429	21

1/ Import values are customs value, not including freight, insurance, duties, and importers' markups.

2/ Includes TSUS items 700.72-700.95, excluding slipper socks (TSUSA items 700.7220 and 700.7320), and disposable footware (TSUSA item 700.9000).

Source: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Note.—Because of rounding, figures may not add to the totals shown.

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Table 10.--Certain rubber footwear: 1/ Quantity of U.S. imports for consumption, by principal sources,
October-December 1983-85, and annual 1983-85

Source	(In thousands of pairs)						: Percentage change, 1985 from 1984	
	October-December--		Percentage change, Oct. Dec. 1985 from Oct. Dec. 1984		1983			
	1983	1984	1985		1984	1985		
Mexico	3,130	4,530	5,181	14	10,614	16,281	19,094	
Republic of Korea	8,104	4,182	4,589	10	32,688	28,830	17,872	
Peoples Republic of China	3,271	2,113	3,573	69	12,935	14,487	15,503	
Taiwan	7,560	3,383	3,073	-9	38,313	38,645	21,234	
Hong Kong	1,092	926	818	-12	3,668	3,894	4,937	
Haiti	0	192	320	67	0	351	705	
Japan	129	114	122	7	935	1,149	870	
Thailand	54	38	114	200	495	961	762	
United Kingdom	0	28	112	294	1	32	159	
Sri Lanka	14	66	71	8	292	603	450	
Italy	70	72	57	-20	747	441	343	
Czechoslovakia	12	31	50	59	12	57	21	
Philippines	61	54	49	-9	316	571	722	
France	73	22	47	112	476	227	265	
Canada	25	25	38	610	42	55	84	
Malaysia	20	1	18	3109	129	45	91	
Ireland	0	0	16	2/	0	0	17	
Israel	0	0	12	2/	0	2	16	
West Germany	9	16	4	-73	35	54	32	
All other	146	142	25	-83	266	306	273	
Total	23,824	16,014	18,450	15	102,484	107,609	84,445	

1/ Provided for under TSUS items 700.59-700.71, and includes footwear with fabric uppers and soles of rubber or Plastics.
 Such footwear includes sneakers, joggers, and certain casual shoes.
 2/ Not meaningful.

SOURCE: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

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Table 11.--Certain rubber footwear: 1/ Value of U.S. imports for consumption, by principal sources, October-December 1983-85, and annual 1983-85

Source	(In thousands of dollars)			Percentage change, Oct.-Dec. 1985 from Oct.-Dec. 1984			Percentage change, 1985 from 1984
	October-December--			1983	1984	1985	
	1983	1984	1985	Dec. 1985 from Oct.-Dec. 1984	1984	1985	
Mexico	3,885	5,912	7,618	41	13,234	20,285	27,875
Republic of Korea	24,806	16,007	15,772	-1	101,560	100,396	61,817
Peoples Republic of China	4,136	2,440	3,737	53	15,268	17,845	17,450
Taiwan	23,513	11,877	9,041	-24	104,711	107,344	56,370
Hong Kong	1,209	1,236	1,823	47	4,232	4,652	6,395
Haiti	0	279	743	166	0	630	1,230
Japan	628	1,156	1,023	-11	2,440	5,091	5,839
Thailand	59	69	121	75	1,206	1,353	842
United Kingdom	1	126	360	186	18	158	38
Sri Lanka	30	196	213	9	648	1,505	1,330
Italy	616	799	641	-20	3,543	3,696	2,412
Czechoslovakia	35	72	119	66	35	132	465
Philippines	123	127	145	14	741	816	1,695
France	878	329	641	95	5,597	2,917	2,715
Canada	196	100	317	217	366	582	635
Malaysia	24	3	21	673	458	47	216
Ireland	0	0	228	2/	0	0	232
Israel	0	0	27	2/	0	4	50
West Germany	62	133	76	-46	394	459	337
All other	570	183	188	3	1,018	876	881
Total	60,384	41,350	43,185	4	256,888	270,388	191,020

1/ Provided for under T.S.U.S. items 700.59-700.71, and includes footwear with fabric uppers and soles of rubber or plastics.
 Such footwear includes sneakers, joggers, and certain casual shoes.

2/ Not meaningful.

SOURCE: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

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Table 12.--Certain rubber footwear: 1/ Average unit value of U.S. imports for consumption, by principal sources, October-December 1983-85, and annual 1983-85
 (per pair)

Source	October-December--			Percentage change,			:Percentage change, 1985 from 1984
	1983		1984	1985		Oct.- Dec.	
Mexico	1.24	1.19	1.47	2.3	1.25	1.25	1.46
Republic of Korea	3.06	3.83	3.44	-10	3.11	3.48	3.46
Peoples Republic of China	1.26	1.15	1.05	-9	1.18	1.23	1.13
Taiwan	3.11	3.51	2.94	-16	2.73	2.78	-4
Hong Kong	1.11	1.34	2.23	67	1.15	1.19	1.30
Haiti	-	1.46	2.32	60	-	1.80	1.74
Japan	4.87	10.12	8.40	-17	2.61	4.43	-3
Thailand	1.09	1.81	1.06	-42	2.44	1.41	6.71
United Kingdom	19.44	4.44	3.23	-27	18.05	4.92	1.11
Sri Lanka	2.16	2.97	2.99	1	2.22	2.50	3.94
Italy	8.83	11.15	11.15	0	4.74	8.39	18
Czechoslovakia	2.90	2.28	2.37	4	2.90	2.31	7.03
Philippines	2.01	2.36	2.97	26	2.34	1.43	2.20
France	11.94	14.69	13.50	-8	11.76	12.83	2.35
Canada	7.70	18.56	8.28	-55	8.70	10.51	10.25
Malaysia	1.70	4.80	1.16	-76	3.56	1.05	7.52
Ireland	-	-	14.28	2/	-	-	2.36
Israel	-	-	2.19	2/	-	-	14.02
West Germany	6.99	8.14	16.09	98	11.16	8.53	3.17
All other	3.90	1.29	7.61	490	3.82	2.86	10.60
Total	2.53	2.58	2.34	-9	2.51	2.51	2.22
							-10

1/ Provided for under TSUS items 700.59-700.71, and includes footwear with fabric uppers and soles of rubber or plastics.
 2/ Such footwear includes sneakers, joggers, and certain casual shoes.
 2/ Not meaningful.

SOURCE: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

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Table 13.--Nonrubber footwear: Quantity of U.S. exports of domestic merchandise, by principal markets, October-December 1983-85, and annual 1983-85
(In thousands of pairs)

Source	October-December--			Percentage change,			1985	:Percentage change, 1985 from 1984
	1983		1984	Oct. 1985 from Oct. Dec. 1984		1984		
	1983	1984	1985	Oct.	Dec.	1984		
Mexico-----	110	342	1,191	248	456	1,034	3,308	220
Japan-----	338	1,003	1,499	-50	1,032	2,821	2,740	-3
Italy-----	157	105	184	74	584	549	972	77
Haiti-----	17	17	117	582	104	47	128	173
Canada-----	217	122	113	-7	920	567	451	-20
Hungary-----	0	0	102	1/	1/	0	156	1/
Dominican Republic-----	29	55	92	68	293	220	226	3
Trinidad and Tobago-----	46	78	84	8	290	229	157	-32
West Germany-----	33	21	76	263	159	132	163	23
Leward and Windward Is-----	55	57	74	30	140	151	241	60
Bahamas-----	79	46	67	46	322	175	188	8
France-----	47	39	60	52	307	236	387	64
Saudi Arabia-----	60	61	42	-31	233	183	150	-18
Panama-----	13	57	42	-27	63	154	162	6
Cameroon-----	17	0	34	1/	17	125	34	-73
All other-----	538	742	408	-45	2,515	2,187	1,838	-16
Total-----	1,757	2,745	3,185	16	7,435	8,809	11,302	28

1/ Not meaningful.

SOURCE: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

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Table 14.—Nonrubber footwear: Value of U.S. exports of domestic merchandise, by principal markets,
October-December 1983-85, and annual 1983-85
(In thousands of dollars)

Source	October-December--			Percentage change,			1985 from 1984	Percentage change, 1985 from 1984
	1983		1984	1985		Oct.- Dec.		
	Oct.- Dec.	from Oct.- Dec.	Oct.- Dec.	from Oct.- Dec.	Oct.- Dec.	Oct.- Dec.		
Mexico-----	439	740	1,483	100	1,563	13,633	2,092	4,289
Japan-----	4,210	10,634	6,269	-41	31,641	11,294	29,652	105 -6
Italy-----	3,164	1,732	3,166	83	10,887	8,886	15,698	39
Haiti-----	1,96	211	357	69	508	6,923	462	-9
Canada-----	2,102	1,608	1,503	-7	9,851	3	6,358	-8
Hungary-----	0	0	1,016	1/	0	0	1,407	1/
Dominican Republic-----	185	449	506	13	1,302	1,114	1,458	31
Trinidad and Tobago-----	398	718	576	-20	2,342	2,015	1,358	-33
West Germany-----	570	366	946	158	2,205	2,713	2,492	-8
Leeward and Windward Is-----	337	304	383	26	914	887	1,266	43
Bahamas-----	726	478	624	31	2,802	1,568	1,681	7
France-----	908	800	978	22	6,140	5,195	5,871	13
Saudi Arabia-----	812	960	712	-26	3,922	2,887	2,986	3
Panama-----	156	407	299	-26	568	1,269	1,106	-13
Cameroon-----	5	0	12	1/	31,632	27,045	112	-89
All other-----	7,151	7,344	5,157	-30	97,261	23,474	-13	
Total-----	21,259	26,752	23,986	-10	88,656	99,571	2	

1/ Not meaningful.

SOURCE: Compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

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Table 15.—Nonrubber footwear: Average unit value of U.S. exports of domestic merchandise, by principal markets, October-December 1983-85, and annual 1983-85

Source	October-December--			Percentage change,			Percentage change,		
	1983	1984	1985	Oct.	1985	Dec.	Oct.	1984	Dec.
Mexico-----	4.00	2.16	1.25	-4.2	3.43	2.02	1.30	-3.6	-3.6
Japan-----	12.46	10.60	12.56	18	13.22	11.22	10.82	-3	-3
Italy-----	20.14	16.42	17.25	5	18.64	20.57	16.15	-21	-21
Haiti-----	5.58	12.33	3.05	-7.5	8.48	10.81	3.60	-67	-67
Canada-----	9.67	13.18	13.29	1	10.71	12.22	14.10	15	15
Hungary-----	6.41	8.22	9.95	1/	26.64	9.00	6.45	1/	1/
Dominican Republic-----	8.58	9.17	5.52	-3.3	4.44	5.06	6.45	27	27
Trinidad and Tobago-----	17.06	17.47	6.82	-26	8.09	8.79	8.68	-1	-1
West Germany-----	6.12	5.34	12.41	-29	13.87	20.58	15.32	-26	-26
Leeward and Windward Is-----	9.16	10.41	5.19	-3	6.51	5.89	5.26	-11	-11
Bahamas-----	19.26	20.41	9.28	-1	8.72	8.95	8.92	1/	1/
France-----	13.65	15.66	16.84	-20	19.97	22.95	15.18	-31	-31
Saudi Arabia-----	11.72	7.16	7.19	8	16.81	15.81	19.89	26	26
Panama-----	1.31	1/	1/	1/	9.03	8.25	6.81	-17	-17
Cameroon-----	13.30	9.90	12.35	1/	12.31	12.87	12.35	-60	-60
All other-----	12.10	9.74	12.62	28	12.58	12.37	12.77	3	3
Total-----	7.53	11.92	11.92	-23	11.92	11.04	8.81	-20	-20

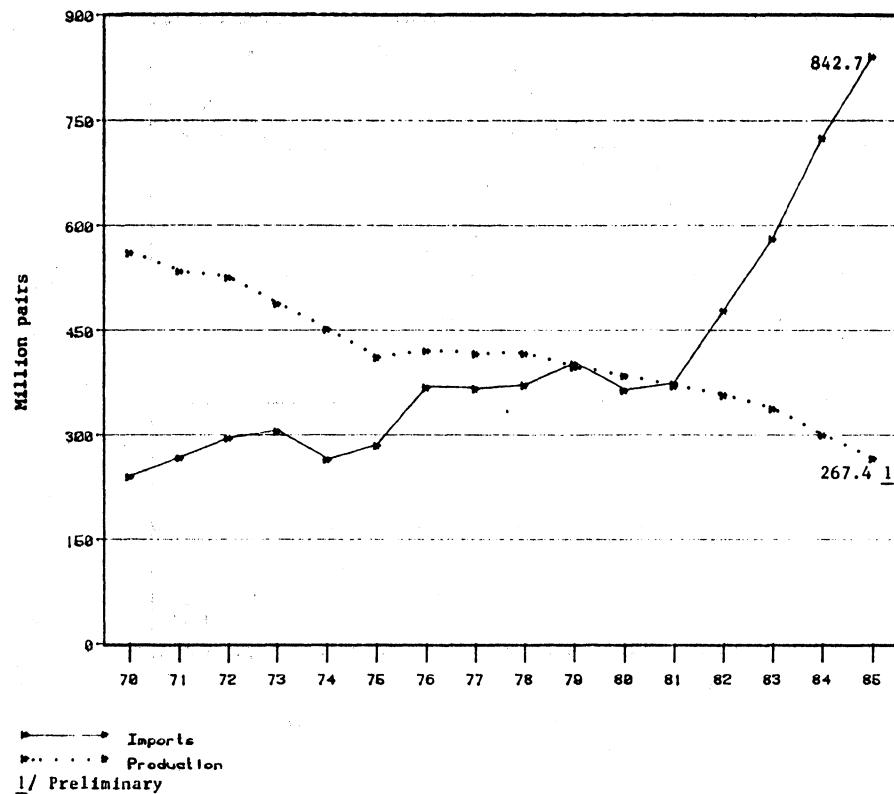
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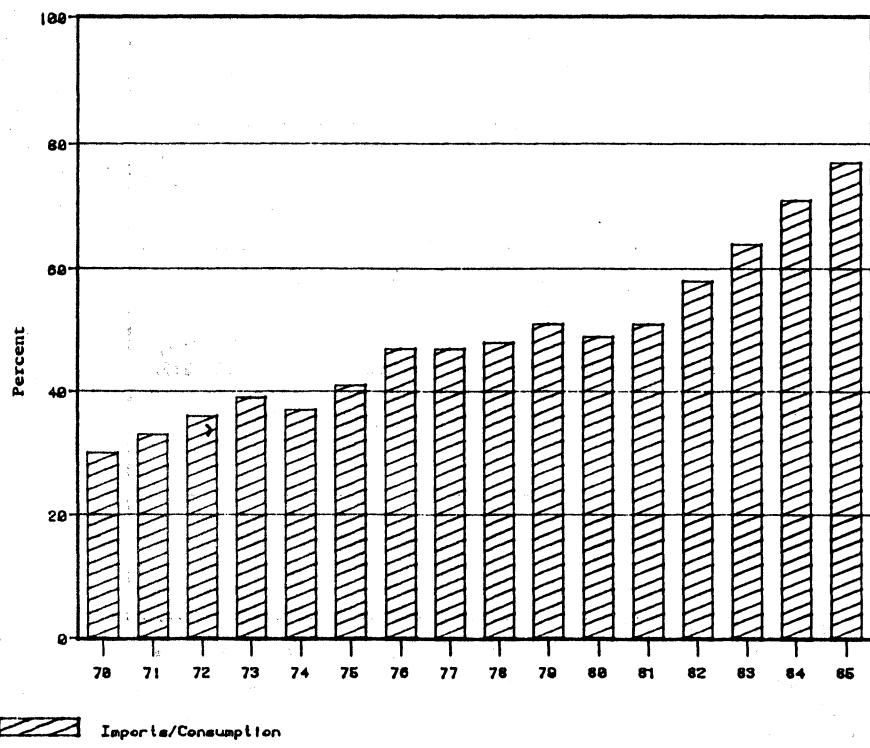
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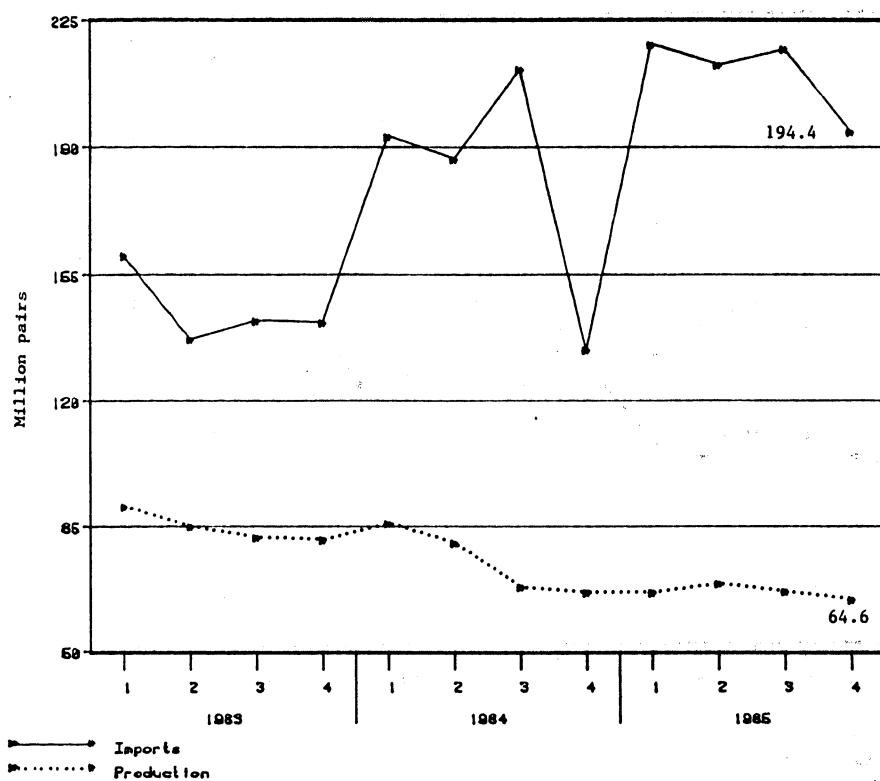


Nonrubber footwear: Ratio of imports to consumption,
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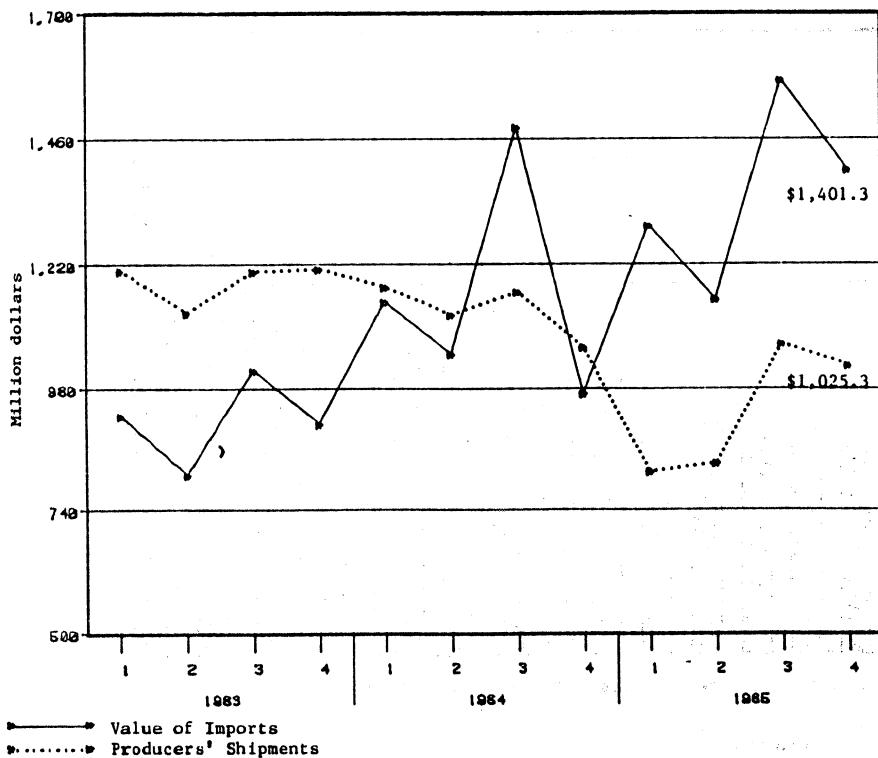


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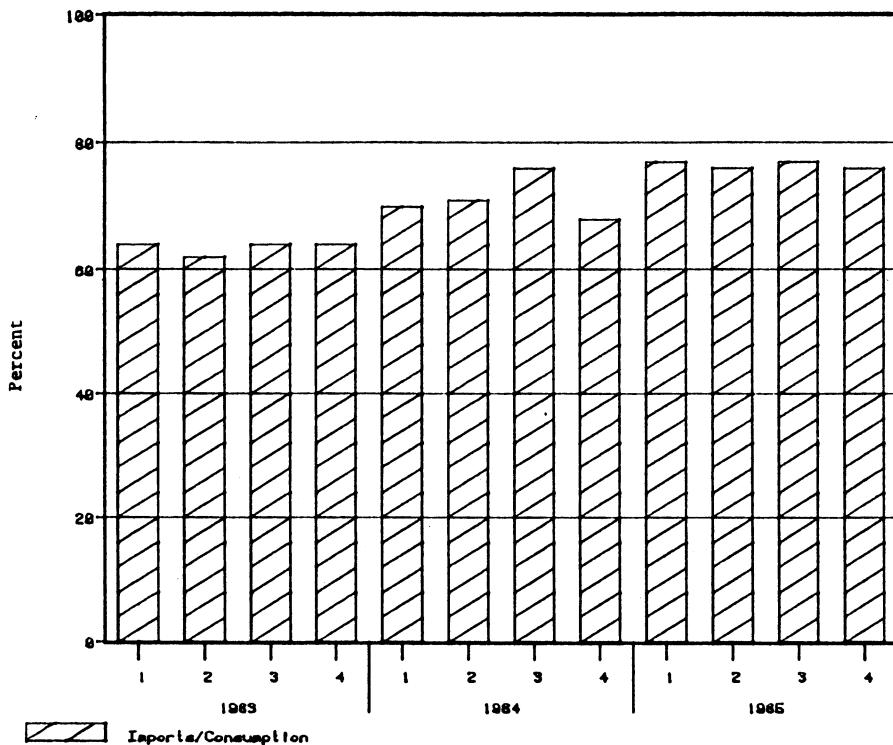


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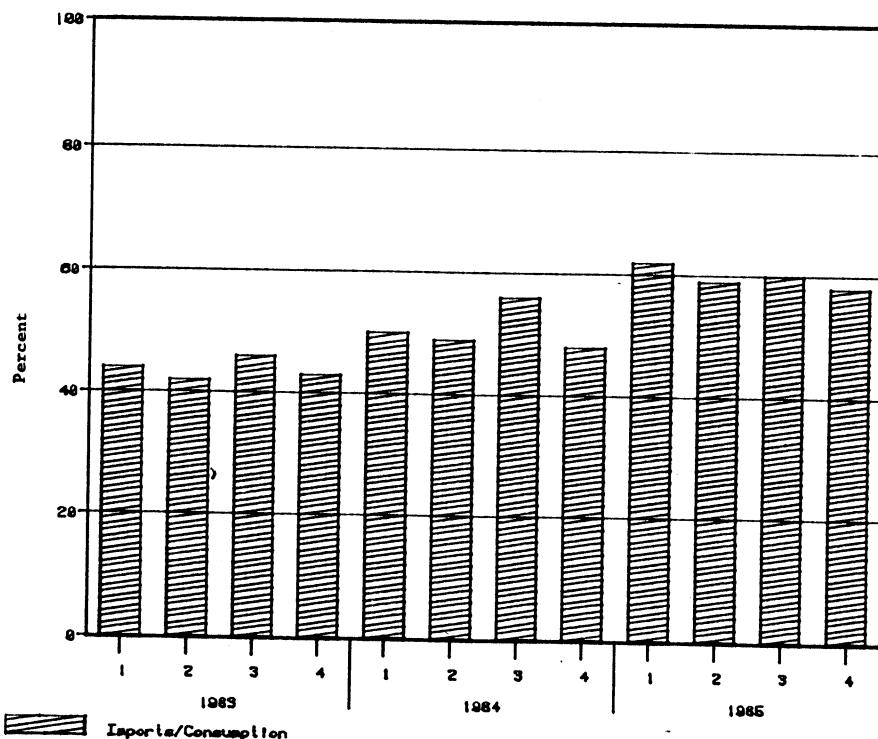


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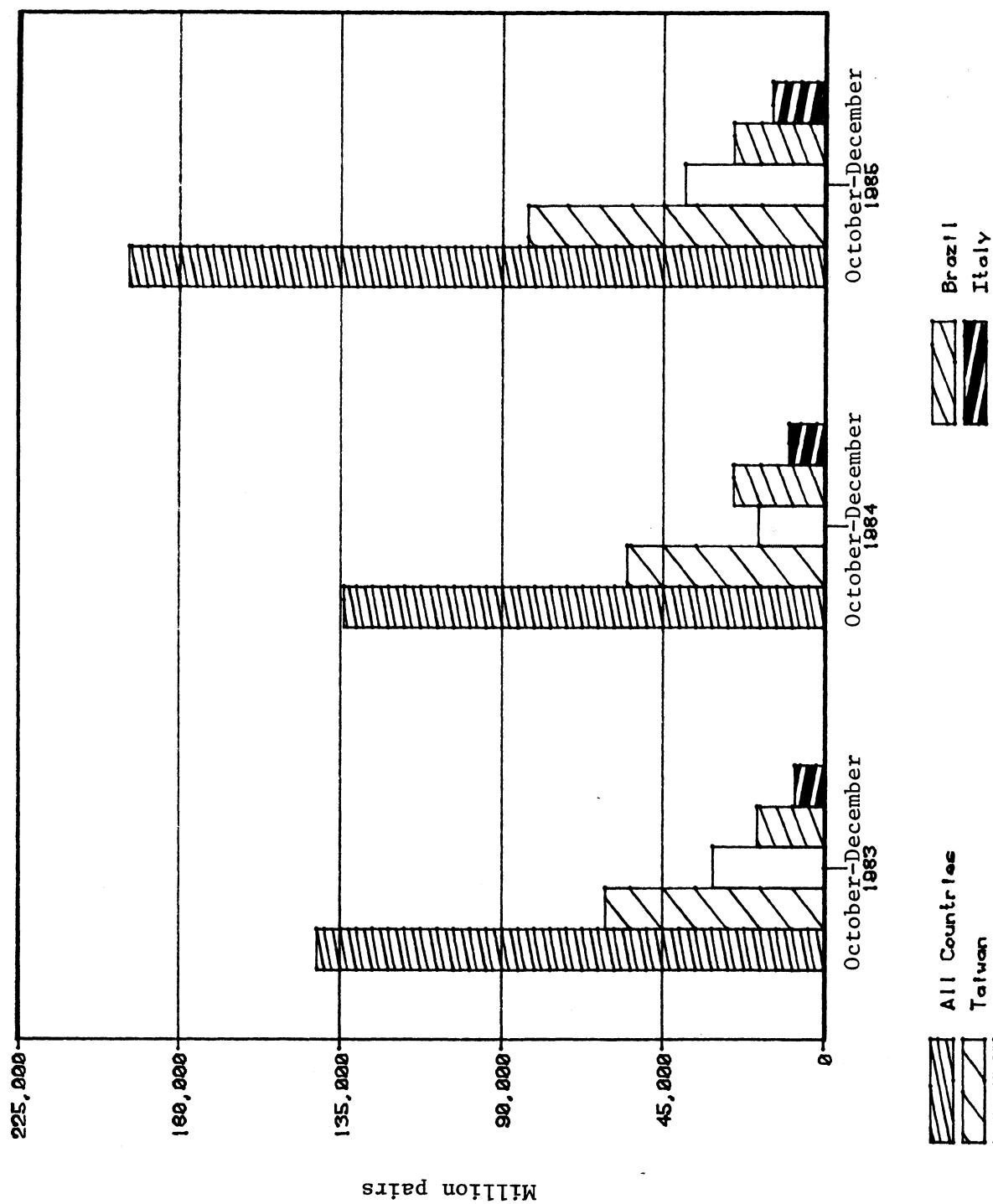


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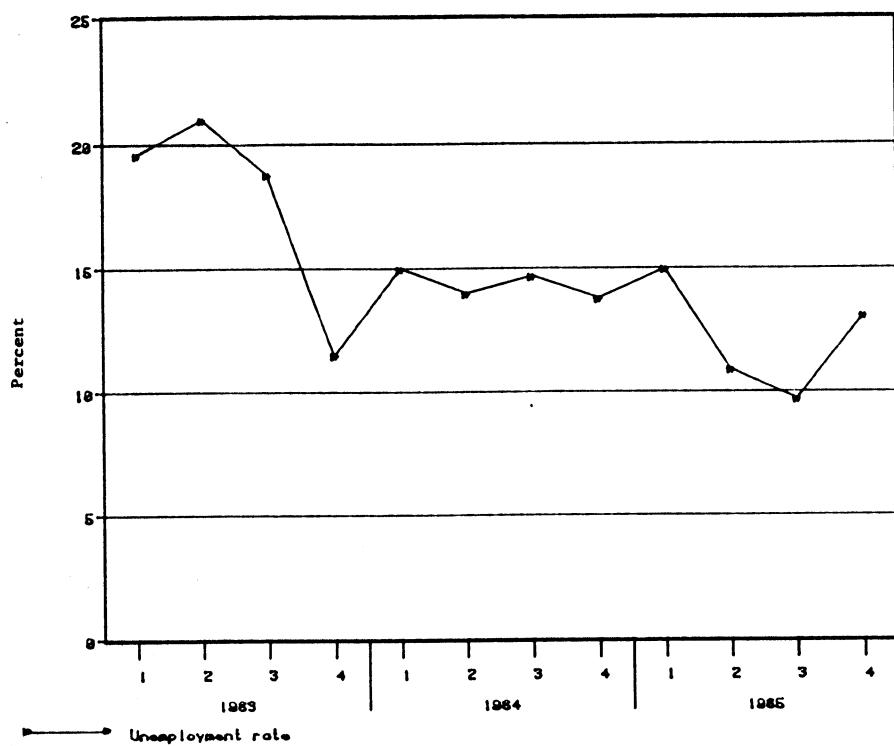
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Nonrubber footwear: Quantity of U.S. imports for consumption, by principal sources,
October-December 1983-85



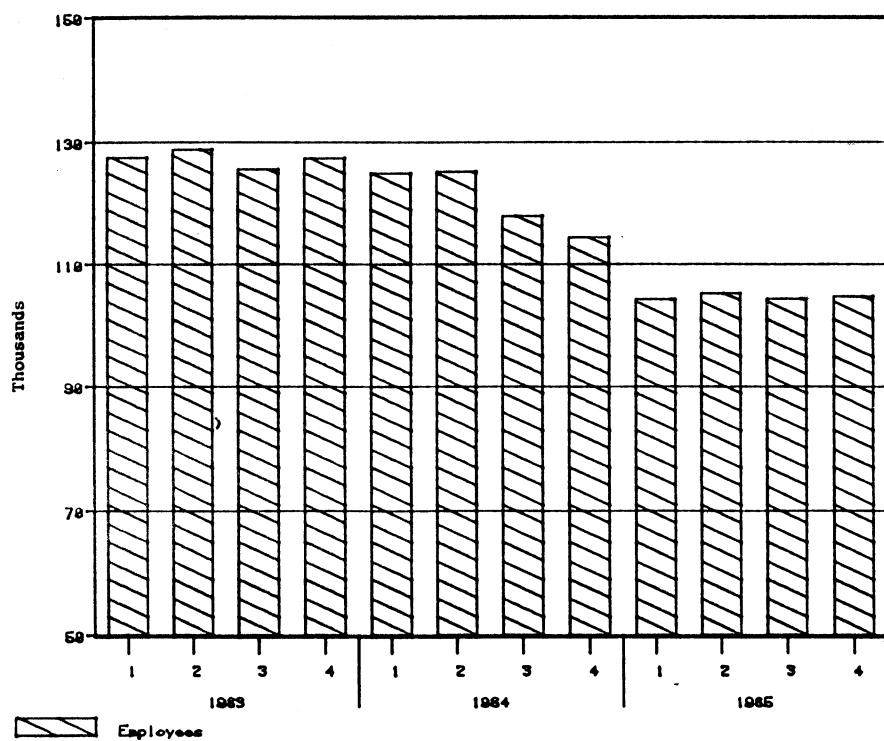
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Unemployment rate for the leather products industry 1/ by quarters, 1983-85



1/ Approximately two-thirds of the workers in the leather and leather products industry are nonrubber footwear workers.

Average number of all employees engaged in the manufacture of nonrubber footwear, by quarters, 1983-85



Source: Prepared by the U.S. International Trade Commission, Office of Industries, from official statistics of the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

APPENDIX

U. S. FOOTWEAR FACTORY CLOSINGS IN 1985

ACME BOOT COMPANY	Ashland City, TN
ALLEGRO SHOE CORP.	Little Falls, NY
ALSAM SHOE CO.	Lititz, PA
ALTA PRODUCTS CORP.	Wilkes Barre, PA
ARNO MOCCASIN	Lewiston, ME
B-W FOOTWEAR**	East Corinth, ME
BARRY OF COLUMBUS (R.G. BARRY)	Columbus, OH
BARRY OF CHATTANOOGA (R.G.BARRY)	Chattanooga, TN
BASS, G.H., & CO.	Bangor, ME
BENTLEY SHOE CO. (DESCO)	Dudley, MA
BERNIE SHOE CO.	Haverhill, MA
BOOT-STER MFG. CO.	Clarksville, TN
BRIDGEWATER SHOE CO.	Bridgewater, MA
BROWN SHOE CO.	Charleston, IL
BROWN SHOE CO.	McKenzie, TN
BRUNSWICK SHOE CO.	Brunswick, ME
CINEMA OF CALIFORNIA	Los Angeles, CA
CONAWAY WINTER SHOE CORP.	Birchtree, MO
COREY SHOE COMPANY	Sanford, ME
DORSON FLEISHER	Manchester, NH
EURO SHOE MODA, INC.	Lynbrook, NY
FLAIR FOOTWEAR, INC.	Wilkes Barre, PA
FLEET-AIR CORP.	Ephrata, PA
FOOT CULTURE	New York, NY
G. SIMONSON CO.	Brooklyn, NY
GENESCO, INC.**	Tullahoma, TN
GENESCO, INC.	Pulaski, TN
GENESCO, INC.	Camden, TN
GENESCO, INC.	Ripley, MS
GENESCO, INC.	Lewisburg, TN
GOLD SEAL (PICKENS)	Hialeah, FL
GOLDSTEIN FOOTWEAR CO.	Brooklyn, NY
GOLDSTEIN SLIPPER CO.	Lynn, MA
INTERNATIONAL SHOE CO.	Windsor, MO
JAMES EMERY SHOES LTD.	College Pt., NY
JOHN COTTON SHOE CO.	Los Angeles, CA
J.T. KOLTIS ENTERPRISES, INC.	Bronx, NY
J.W. BRAY CO., INC.	Dalton, GA
KINNEY SHOE CORP.	Moorefield, WV
K & P SHOE CO.	Woodside, NY
LLOYD DAVIS SHOE CO., INC.	Somersworth, NH
MARLBORO SHOE CO.	Hialeah, FL
MC LAUREN CORP.	Marietta, GA
MIAMI FOOTWEAR CORP.	Miami, FL
MOST SHOE CO., INC.	Salem, MA
NEW BALANCE ATHLETIC SHOE, INC.	Holyoke, MA
NIKE, INC.	Saco, ME
NIKE, INC.	Sanford, ME
NORWICH SHOE CO.**	Norwich, NY
OLSEN STETZER BOOT & SADDLERY, CO., INC.	Henrietta, TX
OXFORD SLIPPER CO.	Paterson, NJ
PATRIOT FOOTWEAR CORP.	New Bedford, MA
R. J. FOLEY BOOT CO.	Cambridge, MA

STRIDE RITE FTWR. CORP.
SYLVANIA SHOE MFGR. CORP.
TERRY FOOTWEAR CORP.
TIMBERLAND CO.
TRUITT BROS., INC.

Auburn, ME
Mt. Holly Springs, PA
Patterson, NJ
Newmarket, NH
Belfast, ME

Source: FIA data based on various industry sources.
** Component Factory/Stitching Room

February 20, 1986

1985 SHOE FACTORY OPENINGS

DAKOTA FOOTWEAR	Brooklyn, NY
GALLATIN FOOTWEAR	Gallatin, TN
MARLBORO SHOE CO. (HIALEAH DIV.)	Hialeah, FL
MAYTOWN SHOE	Altoona, PA
SOUTHLAND SHOE COMPANY	Wave Shoals, SC
TIMBERLAND COMPANY	Mountain City, TN
NICK ETTELEBRICK & SONS	Greenup, IL
JUSTIN BOOT/CHIPPEWA DIVISION	Sarcoxie, MO
JORDAN DAVID SAFETY CO.	Warrington, PA