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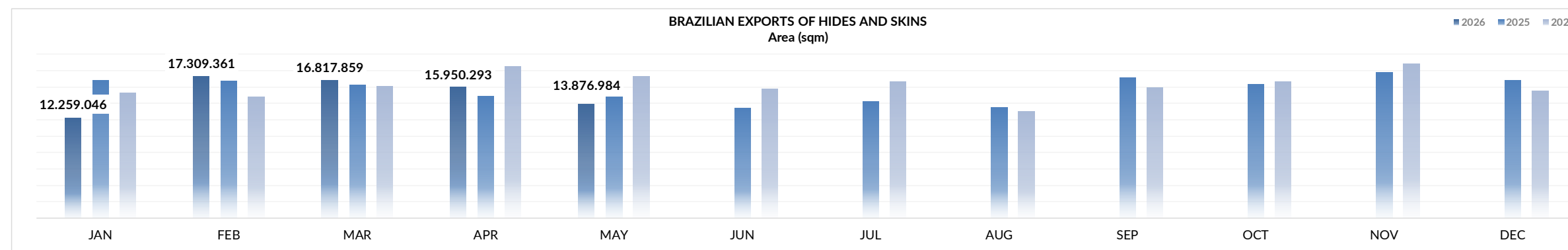
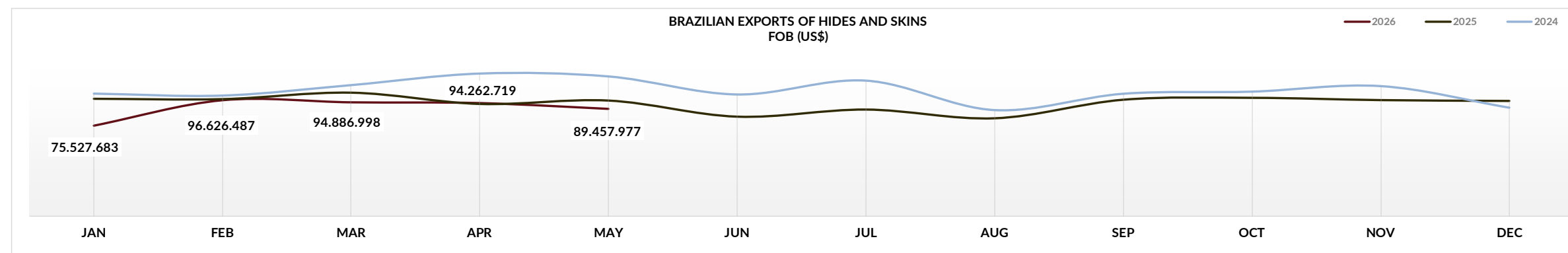
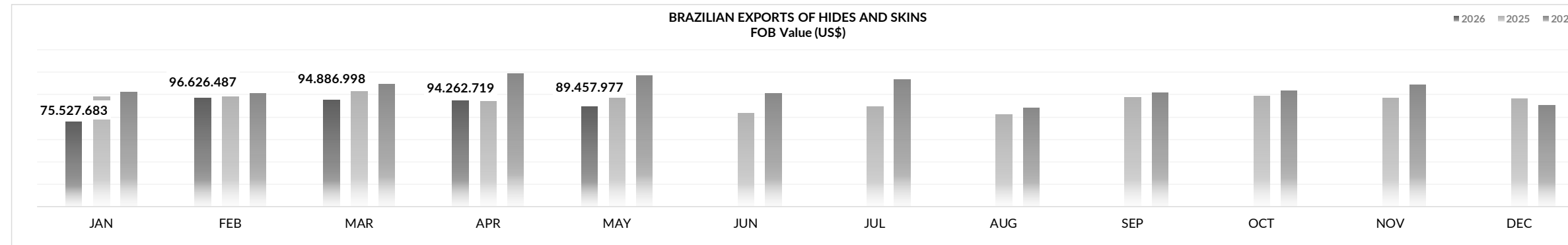
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MONTH	FOB VALUE (US\$)			(%)			AREA (sqm)			(%)			WEIGHT (Kg)			(%)		
	2026	2025	2024	MONTH 2026	2026/2025	2026/2024	2026	2025	2024	MONTH 2026	2026/2025	2026/2024	2026	2025	2024	MONTH 2026	2026/2025	2026/2024
JAN	75.527.683	97.956.081	102.231.845	-21,5%	-22,9%	-26,1%	12.259.046	16.800.501	15.255.504	-27,3%	-27,0%	-19,6%	49.691.743	59.118.387	42.745.080	-22,8%	-15,9%	16,3%
FEB	96.626.487	97.686.142	100.594.249	27,9%	-1,1%	-3,9%	17.309.361	16.754.115	14.792.606	41,2%	3,3%	17,0%	61.276.336	57.502.191	46.844.191	23,3%	6,6%	30,8%
MAR	94.886.998	102.948.861	109.365.779	-1,8%	-7,8%	-13,2%	16.817.859	16.266.721	16.036.028	-2,8%	3,4%	4,9%	58.690.815	56.453.168	48.622.942	-4,2%	4,0%	20,7%
APR	94.262.719	93.730.965	119.059.249	-0,7%	0,6%	-20,8%	15.950.293	14.899.945	18.558.785	-5,2%	7,0%	-14,1%	55.819.766	47.654.716	57.604.688	-4,9%	17,1%	-3,1%
MAY	89.457.977	96.504.410	116.642.884	-5,1%	-7,3%	-23,3%	13.876.984	14.809.023	17.328.197	-13,0%	-6,3%	-19,9%	49.352.456	44.949.682	52.802.187	-11,6%	9,8%	-6,5%
JUN		83.338.207	101.521.633					13.409.352	15.744.226					40.264.936	48.911.073			
JUL		89.155.645	113.124.002					14.238.837	16.661.127					45.280.723	46.784.480			
AUG		82.011.762	88.415.511					13.455.504	13.039.334					45.286.090	38.318.128			
SEP		97.191.101	102.126.294					17.152.962	15.932.097					60.329.609	52.577.119			
OCT		98.741.909	103.890.296					16.351.085	16.661.191					57.788.724	52.400.378			
NOV		96.879.590	108.535.640					17.779.459	18.885.503					61.108.471	59.831.440			
DEC		96.198.097	90.436.983					16.861.254	15.543.504					64.339.258	50.038.521			
Total	450.761.864	1.132.342.770	1.255.944.365		-7,8%	-17,7%	76.213.543	188.778.758	194.438.102		-4,2%	-7,0%	274.831.116	640.075.955	597.480.227		3,4%	10,5%

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■ ANALYSIS OF TOTAL EXPORTS

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Brazilian exports of hides and skins totaled US\$ 89.5 million in May 2026, according to information from SECEX (Secretariat of Foreign Trade), linked to the Ministry of Development, Industry, Commerce and Services, and compiled by the CICB.

The result showed a drop of 7.3% compared to May 2025. The decrease was also recorded considering April this year (-5.1%), a month in which shipments had totaled US\$ 94.3 million.

In volume, foreign sales reached 13.9 million square meters and 49.1 thousand tons. The figures

represent a drop of 6.3% in the exported area and an increase of 9.8% in the weight compared to the same month last year. In comparison with the previous month, however, there were retractions of 13.0% in square meters and 11.6% in tonnage.

In the first five months of 2026, exports reached USD 450.8 million, 7.8% lower than in the same period of 2025. In the period, the exported area fell 4.2% and the weight advanced 3.4%.

COUNTRIES	FOB VALUE (US\$)					AREA (sqm)					WEIGHT (KG)				
	Jan-May 2026	Jan-May 2025	Jan-May 2024	Share 2026	2026/2025	Jan-May 2026	Jan-May 2025	Jan-May 2024	Share 2026	2026/2025	Jan-May 2026	Jan-May 2025	Jan-May 2024	Share 2026	2026/2025
1 China + Hong Kong	137.301.284	153.610.017	177.681.375	30,5%	-10,6%	35.109.994	36.482.045	35.536.134	46,1%	-3,8%	116.272.097	118.151.815	114.157.195	42,3%	-1,6%
China	131.865.543	146.208.304	164.514.609	29,3%	-9,8%	33.844.396	35.104.827	33.073.817	44,4%	-3,6%	112.573.220	114.564.797	107.185.815	41,0%	-1,7%
2 United States	51.740.096	67.073.204	75.852.958	11,5%	-22,9%	4.782.192	5.496.514	5.717.819	6,3%	-13,0%	4.421.582	4.792.364	4.962.721	1,6%	-7,7%
3 Italy	49.195.080	62.418.122	65.841.867	10,9%	-21,2%	9.711.520	11.783.478	11.168.837	12,7%	-17,6%	35.038.220	38.481.015	36.933.611	12,7%	-8,9%
4 Vietnam	45.873.119	48.990.480	54.349.811	10,2%	-6,4%	9.098.160	9.543.108	10.973.047	11,9%	-4,7%	20.804.434	23.649.020	26.643.430	7,6%	-12,0%
5 Mexico	25.365.641	24.933.033	31.613.092	5,6%	1,7%	2.072.347	2.177.946	3.226.031	2,7%	-4,8%	2.679.032	2.719.577	4.650.062	1,0%	-1,5%
6 Nigeria	18.044.943	14.648.659	2.156.340	4,0%	23,2%	0	0	0	0,0%	-	35.012.733	37.909.038	7.506.325	12,7%	-7,6%
7 South Korea	13.195.616	8.779.204	7.498.288	2,9%	50,3%	1.353.342	887.238	727.644	1,8%	52,5%	1.872.328	898.744	857.922	0,7%	108,3%
8 Germany	9.651.615	11.868.958	16.373.048	2,1%	-18,7%	918.327	1.148.647	1.332.537	1,2%	-20,1%	916.108	1.264.005	1.125.126	0,3%	-27,5%
9 Thailand	8.176.255	10.330.553	17.751.860	1,8%	-20,9%	1.117.844	1.227.127	2.091.614	1,5%	-8,9%	2.047.304	1.527.367	4.988.586	0,7%	34,0%
10 Spain	8.099.380	6.207.664	3.325.257	1,8%	30,5%	1.862.582	1.474.190	901.688	2,4%	26,3%	4.711.688	3.653.627	2.353.518	1,7%	29,0%
11 Turkey	6.524.818	1.649.235	3.476.177	1,4%	295,6%	22.117	10.054	10.951	0,0%	120,0%	19.980.979	6.411.824	11.180.599	7,3%	211,6%
12 Uruguay	5.869.902	4.839.115	4.968.837	1,3%	21,3%	896.864	558.395	600.143	1,2%	60,6%	2.418.705	1.519.269	2.279.081	0,9%	59,2%
Hong Kong	5.435.741	7.401.713	13.166.766	1,2%	-26,6%	1.265.598	1.377.218	2.462.317	1,7%	-8,1%	3.698.877	3.587.018	6.971.380	1,3%	3,1%
13 Taiwan	5.047.964	5.226.060	7.135.316	1,1%	-3,4%	1.119.858	1.192.639	1.374.455	1,5%	-6,1%	3.790.607	3.754.521	4.460.756	1,4%	1,0%
14 Indonesia	4.673.661	1.820.410	4.814.064	1,0%	156,7%	1.218.454	341.411	746.211	1,6%	256,9%	3.488.015	861.199	1.047.907	1,3%	305,0%
15 Cambodia	4.627.818	2.943.843	3.466.180	1,0%	57,2%	525.766	146.236	84.640	0,7%	259,5%	5.286.663	5.341.447	6.397.571	1,9%	-1,0%
16 Slovakia	4.578.320	5.756.680	6.185.978	1,0%	-20,5%	371.996	428.046	408.690	0,5%	-13,1%	331.954	378.159	390.468	0,1%	-12,2%
17 Hungary	4.341.245	5.704.385	9.454.546	1,0%	-23,9%	425.314	565.984	813.736	0,6%	-24,9%	355.580	464.291	682.673	0,1%	-23,4%
18 Norway	3.962.529	6.146.928	5.374.905	0,9%	-35,5%	272.639	417.017	366.511	0,4%	-34,6%	206.679	310.796	259.103	0,1%	-33,5%
19 India	3.951.401	4.614.143	4.068.133	0,9%	-14,4%	1.066.517	1.487.242	1.109.789	1,4%	-28,3%	3.081.038	3.670.811	3.145.408	1,1%	-16,1%
20 Tunisia	3.659.213	5.252.583	5.465.474	0,8%	-30,3%	227.935	331.071	356.287	0,3%	-31,2%	353.617	518.124	516.227	0,1%	-31,8%
21 Poland	3.485.780	2.228.532	2.702.335	0,8%	56,4%	324.966	209.688	243.032	0,4%	55,0%	249.472	175.905	205.659	0,1%	41,8%
22 Argentina	3.267.799	4.053.355	2.487.403	0,7%	-19,4%	334.263	366.308	153.840	0,4%	-8,7%	396.121	485.704	191.310	0,1%	-18,4%
23 Togo	2.860.261	456.711	713.404	0,6%	526,3%	45.092	0	0	0,1%	-	3.706.542	1.283.681	3.012.281	1,3%	188,7%
24 Netherlands	2.745.399	3.405.289	3.689.396	0,6%	-19,4%	293.428	370.325	366.660	0,4%	-20,8%	293.900	365.090	362.585	0,1%	-19,5%
25 Colombia	2.212.178	2.193.082	1.724.804	0,5%	0,9%	422.249	418.121	286.648	0,6%	1,0%	1.255.927	1.349.854	864.758	0,5%	-7,0%
26 Malaysia	2.113.095	1.027.455	2.434.226	0,5%	105,7%	228.660	105.668	216.653	0,3%	116,4%	198.525	84.641	188.476	0,1%	134,5%
27 South Africa	2.025.273	1.542.412	1.322.487	0,4%	31,3%	222.156	200.739	154.700	0,3%	10,7%	239.765	321.868	190.169	0,1%	-25,5%
28 France	1.740.168	1.584.942	1.575.015	0,4%	9,8%	92.514	74.404	69.023	0,1%	24,3%	122.744	112.258	102.825	0,04%	9,3%
29 Japan	1.509.339	1.022.711	197.387	0,3%	47,6%	169.041	114.730	16.358	0,2%	47,3%	225.316	186.649	37.044	0,1%	20,7%
30 Canada	1.499.990	1.496.700	1.845.096	0,3%	0,2%	97.170	95.018	117.837	0,1%	2,3%	85.814	86.757	146.972	0,03%	-1,1%
Others (2026: +44 countries)	13.422.682	17.001.994	22.348.947	3,0%	-21,1%	1.810.236	1.876.916	2.799.605	2,4%	-3,6%	4.987.627	4.948.724	8.778.720	1,8%	0,8%
Total	450.761.864	488.826.459	547.894.006		-7,8%	76.213.543	79.530.305	81.971.120		-4,2%	274.831.116	265.678.144	248.619.088		3,4%

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■ ANALYSIS OF DESTINATIONS

In the first five months of 2026, the main destinations for Brazilian leather presented the following results:

China (excluding HK) remained the main destination for Brazilian leathers, accounting for 29.3% of total exports. Despite the leadership, there was a retraction of 9.8% in value and 3.6% in area, compared to the same period in 2025. The slowdown reflects the still cautious environment of the Chinese manufacturing industry, especially in the footwear and upholstery segments.

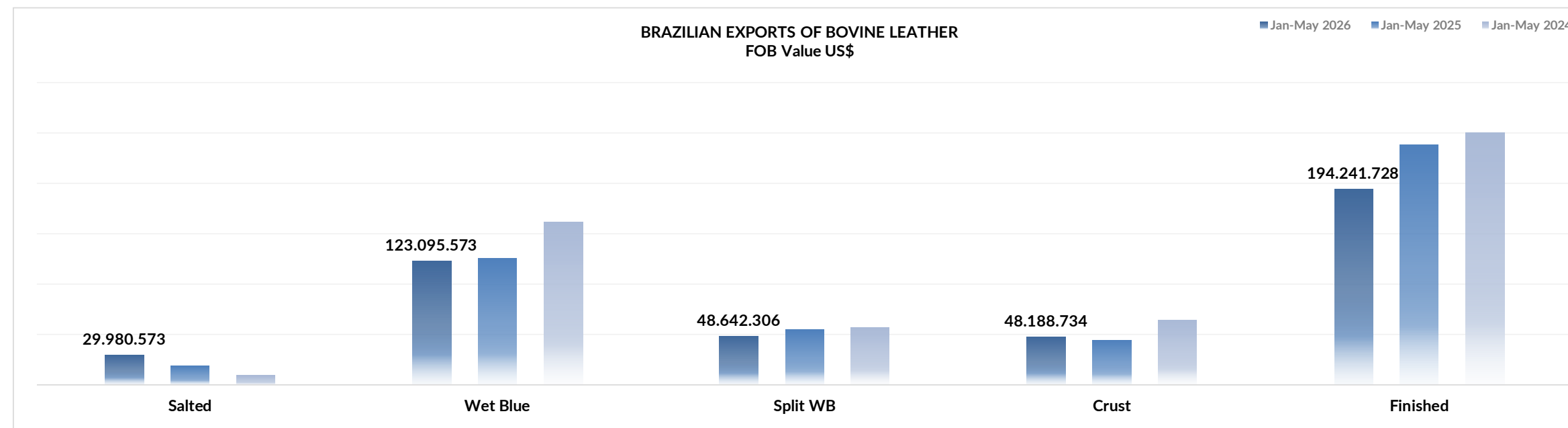
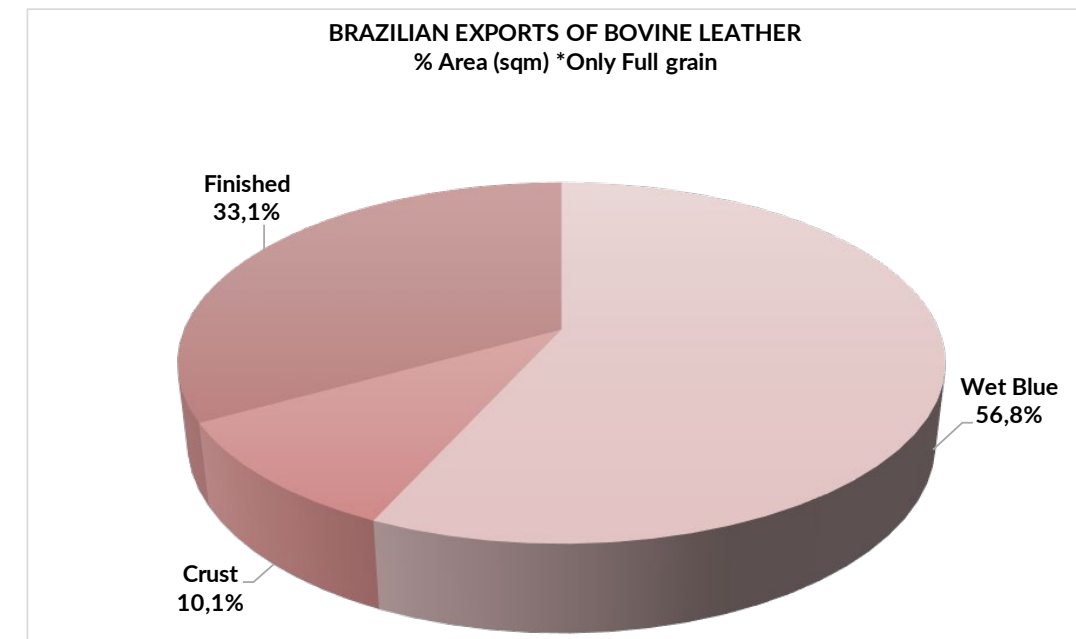
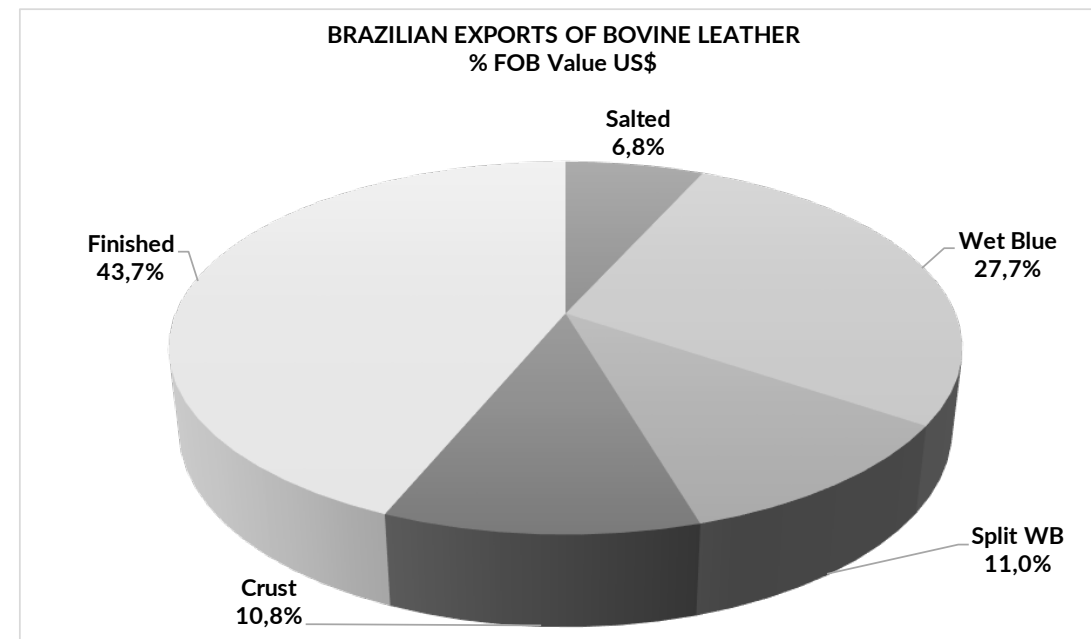
The United States remains in second place, with imports of US\$ 51.7 million, equivalent to 11.5% of the total exported, but showed the biggest drop among the main buyers: -22.9% in value and -13.0% in area. The performance suggests weaker demand from U.S. industry, especially from the furniture and automotive sectors.

Italy occupies the third position, with acquisitions of US\$ 49.2 million, a share of 10.9% and a 21.2% decrease in value. The Italian market also reduced its purchases in area (-17.6%). Even with the drop, Italy continues to be a strategic destination because it concentrates important tanneries and manufacturers of luxury goods, which use Brazilian leather as raw material.

Vietnam was the fourth largest destination, with US\$ 45.9 million, accounting for 10.2% of Brazilian exports. The drop of only 6.4% in value was less intense than that observed in other relevant markets, reinforcing the country's importance as a global center for the production of footwear and leather goods.

TYPE OF LEATHER	FOB VALUE (US\$)					AREA (sqm)					WEIGHT (KG)				
	Jan-May 2026	Jan-May 2025	Jan-May 2024	2026/2025	2026/2024	Jan-May 2026	Jan-May 2025	Jan-May 2024	2026/2025	2026/2024	Jan-May 2026	Jan-May 2025	Jan-May 2024	2026/2025	2026/2024
Salted	29.980.573	19.049.079	9.854.365	57,4%	204,2%	-	-	-	-	-	63.544.437	52.527.078	31.114.523	21,0%	104,2%
Wet Blue	123.095.573	125.730.393	161.844.868	-2,1%	-23,9%	32.414.097	32.736.039	32.581.131	-1,0%	-0,5%	132.926.840	133.871.305	133.898.994	-0,7%	-0,7%
Split WB	48.642.306	54.941.156	56.885.766	-11,5%	-14,5%	18.780.894	18.844.426	20.917.145	-0,3%	-10,2%	52.068.123	53.530.850	57.571.528	-2,7%	-9,6%
Crust	48.188.734	44.480.968	64.560.016	8,3%	-25,4%	5.765.584	4.803.418	6.383.608	20,0%	-9,7%	5.355.521	4.590.539	6.174.909	16,7%	-13,3%
Finished	194.241.728	237.989.176	249.447.300	-18,4%	-22,1%	18.895.333	22.715.452	21.840.395	-16,8%	-13,5%	16.924.061	20.131.907	19.122.707	-15,9%	-11,5%
Total	444.148.914	482.190.772	542.592.315	-7,9%	-18,1%	75.855.908	79.099.335	81.722.279	-4,10%	-7,2%	270.818.982	264.651.679	247.882.661	2,3%	9,3%

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■ ANALYSIS OF TYPES OF LEATHER

Brazilian exports of bovine leather, in the five-month period, present the following highlights:

Finished leather remained the main exported product, with sales of US\$ 194.2 million, equivalent to about 44% of the sector's total exports. However, it was also the segment with the greatest negative impact on the overall result, with a drop of 18.4% in value and 16.8% in area. The performance reflects the lower demand from consumer markets for higher value-added items, especially in the footwear, upholstery and luxury segments.

Wet Blue exports reached US\$ 123.1 million, remaining as the second main item on the export agenda. The retraction was limited to 2.1% in value, while the shipped area remained practically stable, with a reduction of less than 1%. The results demonstrate a relatively resi-

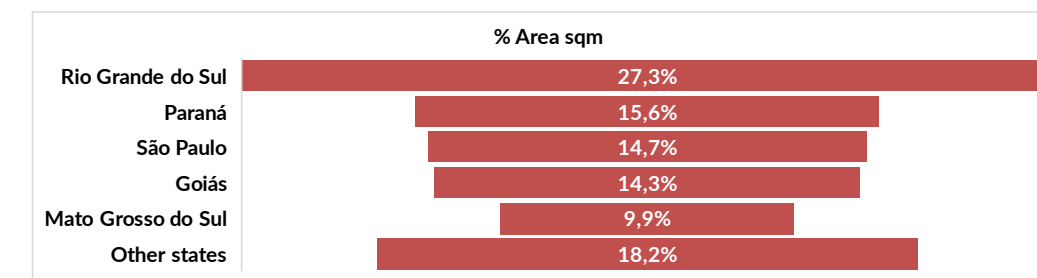
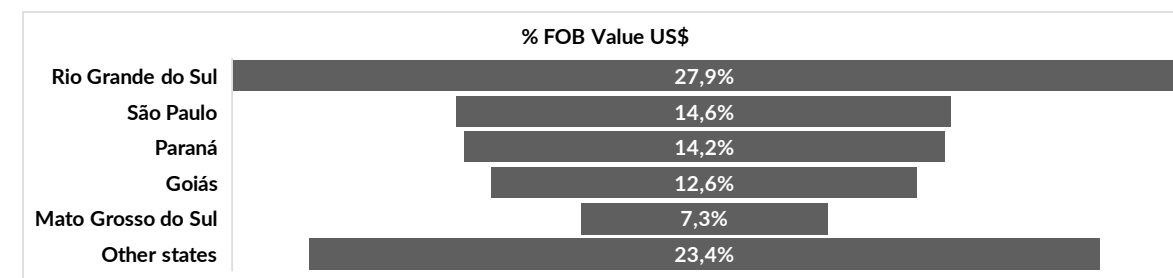
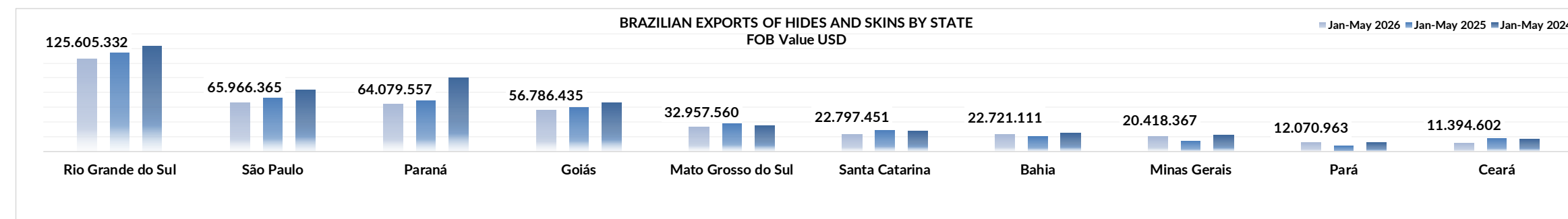
lient demand for semi-processed leather, especially in Asian markets that carry out later stages of processing.

Split Wet Blue totaled US\$ 48.6 million, with a reduction of 11.5% in value and 2.7% in weight. Despite the drop, the segment performed more favorably than finished leather, indicating maintenance of demand in certain industrial niches.

Among the types of bovine leather, Crust was the only one to record growth, reaching US\$ 48.2 million, an increase of 8.3% in value compared to the first five months of 2025. The advance was accompanied by a 20% increase in the exported area, showing a recovery in the demand for this type of intermediate product and an improvement in the participation of the export basket.

	FOB VALUE (US\$)					AREA (sqm)					WEIGHT (KG)				
	Jan-May 2026	Jan-May 2025	Jan-May 2024	2026	2026/2025	Jan-May 2026	Jan-May 2025	Jan-May 2024	2026	2026/2025	Jan-May 2026	Jan-May 2025	Jan-May 2024	2026	2026/2025
1 Rio Grande do Sul	125.605.332	142.915.227	143.951.089	27,9%	-12,1%	20.769.977	21.527.894	20.949.079	27,3%	-3,5%	50.762.283	48.378.045	47.257.420	18,5%	4,9%
2 São Paulo	65.966.365	73.058.371	82.973.108	14,6%	-9,7%	11.229.826	11.093.585	11.460.755	14,7%	1,2%	30.099.242	30.060.584	34.675.583	11,0%	0,1%
3 Paraná	64.079.557	68.451.512	100.758.143	14,2%	-6,4%	11.867.957	13.567.633	15.772.626	15,6%	-12,5%	43.148.597	46.856.182	50.405.446	15,7%	-7,9%
4 Goiás	56.786.435	59.757.138	65.724.186	12,6%	-5,0%	10.915.259	10.428.010	9.668.919	14,3%	4,7%	34.444.804	33.811.949	31.451.480	12,5%	1,9%
5 Mato Grosso do Sul	32.957.560	37.791.559	35.336.911	7,3%	-12,8%	7.565.557	8.254.022	6.779.619	9,9%	-8,3%	30.637.580	29.778.841	22.696.879	11,1%	2,9%
6 Santa Catarina	22.797.451	28.905.704	27.884.567	5,1%	-21,1%	3.490.092	4.242.974	3.686.353	4,6%	-17,7%	9.513.460	11.073.536	9.174.772	3,5%	-14,1%
7 Bahia	22.721.111	20.337.954	24.568.400	5,0%	11,7%	2.242.809	2.427.989	3.409.407	2,9%	-7,6%	16.395.804	12.733.422	9.242.664	6,0%	28,8%
8 Minas Gerais	20.418.367	14.313.000	22.052.275	4,5%	42,7%	2.796.103	2.184.029	4.103.814	3,7%	28,0%	12.169.591	9.274.287	10.181.136	4,4%	31,2%
9 Pará	12.070.963	7.892.266	12.601.912	2,7%	52,9%	2.666.031	2.294.531	2.589.689	3,5%	16,2%	17.914.859	16.421.326	13.424.319	6,5%	9,1%
10 Ceará	11.394.602	17.851.209	17.411.878	2,5%	-36,2%	1.240.608	1.736.071	1.706.412	1,6%	-28,5%	2.453.081	2.806.649	2.523.639	0,9%	-12,6%
11 Mato Grosso	4.194.595	6.560.804	5.860.353	0,9%	-36,1%	1.049.552	1.422.846	1.075.083	1,4%	-26,2%	4.467.936	6.177.020	4.402.481	1,6%	-27,7%
12 Rio Grande do Norte	2.113.696	1.775.289	1.521.687	0,5%	19,1%	0	0	0	0,0%	-	6.432.240	5.414.020	5.164.330	2,3%	18,8%
13 Pernambuco	1.800.372	980.892	1.557.392	0,4%	83,5%	2.929	3.938	50.371	0,004%	-25,6%	4.588.801	3.207.592	4.495.805	1,7%	43,1%
14 Rio de Janeiro	1.789.389	2.460.991	1.583.394	0,4%	-27,3%	23.459	28.602	25.694	0,03%	-18,0%	13.202	14.543	131.488	0,005%	-9,2%
15 Paraíba	1.538.193	262.059	0	0,3%	487,0%	0	0	0	0,0%	-	3.648.120	916.660	0	1,3%	298,0%
16 Maranhão	1.283.476	256.591	409.741	0,3%	400,2%	215.529	68.586	51.978	0,3%	214,2%	1.962.985	491.442	369.889	0,7%	299,4%
17 Espírito Santo	1.237.855	2.582.087	59.589	0,3%	-52,1%	0	43	44	0,0%	-100,0%	2.844.425	6.059.502	192.915	1,0%	-53,1%
18 Piauí	961.255	1.880.509	816.158	0,2%	-48,9%	16.314	98.893	43.369	0,02%	-83,5%	1.566.060	782.836	24.610	0,6%	100,0%
19 Rondônia	430.220	567.393	649.536	0,1%	-24,2%	121.270	150.659	176.507	0,2%	-19,5%	456.496	558.408	642.710	0,2%	-18,3%
20 Alagoas	361.553	225.904	0	0,1%	60,0%	0	0	0	0,0%	-	838.750	861.300	0	0,3%	-2,6%
21 Sergipe	213.271	0	0	0,05%	-	0	0	0	0,0%	-	472.450	0	0	0,2%	-
22 Amazonas	40.246	0	1.930.629	0,01%	-	271	0	378.542	0,0%	-	350	0	1.947.730	0,0%	-
23 Distrito Federal	0	0	241.870	0,0%	-	0	0	42.850	0,0%	-	0	0	213.783	0,0%	-
24 Not Declared*	0	0	1.188	0,0%	-	0	0	9	0,0%	-	0	0	9	0,0%	-
Total	450.761.864	488.826.459	547.894.006	100,0%	-7,8%	76.213.543	79.530.305	81.971.120	100,0%	-4,2%	274.831.116	265.678.144	248.619.088	100,0%	3,4%

Source: SECEX - Prepared by CICB *Early shipment, without prior information on the state of origin provided by the exporter



■ ANALYSIS OF STATES

Brazilian leather exports by state present the following highlights in the year:

Rio Grande do Sul remained the main exporting state, with sales of US\$ 125.6 million, equivalent to 27.9% of national exports. Despite the consolidated leadership, the state recorded a retraction of 12.1% in value and 3.5% in area. The result reflects the deceleration observed in important international markets, especially for products with higher added value.

With exports of US\$ 66 million, São Paulo accounted for 14.6% of the national total. The state recorded a drop of 9.7% in value, but maintained relative stability in volume, with an increase of 1.2% in the exported area.

Paraná exported US\$ 64.1 million, representing 14.2% of the sector's Brazilian foreign sales. There was a 6.4% decrease in value, followed by a 12.5% drop in the area, indicating an effective reduction in shipments.

The next states in the ranking are:

Goiás: US\$ 56.8 million (12.6% share), with a moderate drop of 5% in value, but growth of 4.7% in the area.

Mato Grosso do Sul: US\$ 33 million (7.3% share), with a decrease of 12.8% in value and 8.3% in area.

Together, the top five states concentrated approximately 76.6% of Brazilian exports of hides and skins in the period.

■ CLOSING REMARKS

Brazilian exports of hides and skins totaled US\$ 450.8 million between January and May 2026, representing a decrease of 7.8% compared to the same period in 2025. In volume, the retraction was more moderate, with a reduction of 4.2% in the exported area, while the weight shipped grew 3.4%, showing important changes in the profile of the products sold by the sector.

The performance mainly reflects the slowdown in traditional markets, especially China, the United States and Italy, which continue to be the main destinations for Brazilian leather. Together, these three markets accounted for more than 51% of total exports, but recorded retractions of 9.8%, 22.9% and 21.2%, respectively. The lower demand from these buyers directly impacted the overall results of the sector.

Despite this scenario, some markets showed a positive performance and contributed to reduce the falls. The advances recorded in South Korea (+50.3%), Spain (+30.5%), Indonesia (+156.7%) and Cambodia (+57.2%) stand out. This movement

indicates an expansion of the Brazilian presence in new industrial and manufacturing centers of leather products. There was also growth in exports to Turkey (+295.6%), driven mostly by the shipment of salted hides.

It is also important to highlight the 18.4% decrease in finished leather, which has been changing the profile of exports, starting to concentrate on products with less processing or semi-finished stages, such as salted hides (+57.4%) and crust (+8.3%), in addition to the stability of Wet Blue (-2.1%).

The 2026 results show a sector still pressured by lower demand from traditional markets, but with advances in the diversification of destinations and products. The growth in exports of salted hides and crust, combined with the expansion of new markets, partially offset the drop in finished leather, indicating a sector in adaptation and with recovery prospects supported by the expansion of international presence. -