



# Lumber Track

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## U.S. Softwood Lumber Industry Activity by Region (million board feet)

	Full Year		4 months YTD									
	2010	2011	2010	% Chg	Apr-11	Mar-11	Apr-10	M to M %	Y to Y %	1st Qtr 11	1st Qtr 10	% Chg
<b>Production</b>												
West	11,346	4,005	3,872	3.5	966	1,158	1,030	-16.5	-6.2	3,039	2,842	6.9
South	12,354	4,369	3,970	10.1	1,086	1,206	1,172	-10.0	-7.3	3,283	2,798	17.3
Other	1,320	467	435	7.4	115	132	123	-13.2	-6.8	353	312	13.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>25,020</b>	<b>8,842</b>	<b>8,277</b>	<b>6.8</b>	<b>2,167</b>	<b>2,496</b>	<b>2,325</b>	<b>-13.2</b>	<b>-6.8</b>	<b>6,675</b>	<b>5,952</b>	<b>12.1</b>

### Shipments

West	11,240	3,895	3,862	0.9	988	1,086	1,065	-9.0	-7.3	2,906	2,796	3.9
South	12,354	4,369	3,970	10.1	1,086	1,206	1,172	-10.0	-7.3	3,283	2,798	17.3
Other	1,313	461	434	6.3	116	128	124	-9.5	-6.8	345	310	11.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>24,907</b>	<b>8,725</b>	<b>8,265</b>	<b>5.6</b>	<b>2,190</b>	<b>2,420</b>	<b>2,362</b>	<b>-9.5</b>	<b>-7.3</b>	<b>6,535</b>	<b>5,904</b>	<b>10.7</b>

### New Orders

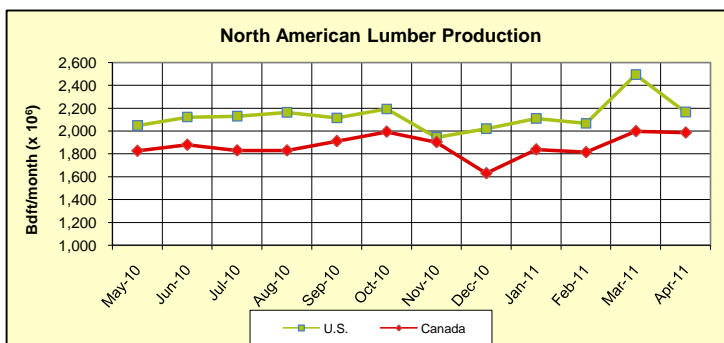
West	11,325	3,928	3,961	-0.8	1,017	1,088	1,052	-6.5	-3.3	2,911	2,910	0.1
South	12,354	4,369	3,970	10.1	1,086	1,206	1,172	-10.0	-7.3	3,283	2,798	17.3
Other	1,319	463	440	5.2	117	128	124	-8.3	-5.4	346	316	9.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>24,998</b>	<b>8,760</b>	<b>8,371</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>2,221</b>	<b>2,422</b>	<b>2,348</b>	<b>-8.3</b>	<b>-5.4</b>	<b>6,540</b>	<b>6,024</b>	<b>8.6</b>

### Unfilled Orders

	Apr-11	Apr-10	% Chg
West	493	498	7.4
South	807	807	0.0
Other	127	127	0.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,426</b>	<b>1,432</b>	<b>2.7</b>

### Inventories

	Apr-11	Apr-10	% Chg
West	1,198	1,107	18.2
South	1,818	1,818	0.0
Other	277	271	4.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,293</b>	<b>3,196</b>	<b>6.7</b>



Source: Southern Forest Products Association, U.S. Census Bureau, Council of Forest Industries-CAN, WWPA

## Canadian Softwood Lumber Industry Activity by Region (million board feet)

	Full Year		4 months YTD									
	2010	2011	2010	% Chg	Apr-11	Mar-11	Apr-10	M to M %	Y to Y %	1st Qtr 11	1st Qtr 10	% Chg
<b>Production</b>												
British Columbia	11,437	4,100	3,832	7.0	1,084	1,046	1,041	3.7	4.2	3,016	2,792	8.0
East of the Rockies	10,647	3,538	3,444	2.7	902	953	942	-5.3	-4.2	2,636	2,502	5.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>22,083</b>	<b>7,638</b>	<b>7,277</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>1,986</b>	<b>1,999</b>	<b>1,983</b>	<b>-0.6</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>5,652</b>	<b>5,294</b>	<b>6.8</b>

### Shipments

British Columbia	11,311	3,941	3,803	3.6	1,086	1,071	1,034	1.4	5.0	2,855	2,769	3.1
East of the Rockies	10,726	3,335	3,422	-2.5	879	890	1,002	-1.2	-12.2	2,456	2,420	1.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>22,037</b>	<b>7,276</b>	<b>7,224</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>1,966</b>	<b>1,962</b>	<b>2,036</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>-3.4</b>	<b>5,311</b>	<b>5,189</b>	<b>2.4</b>

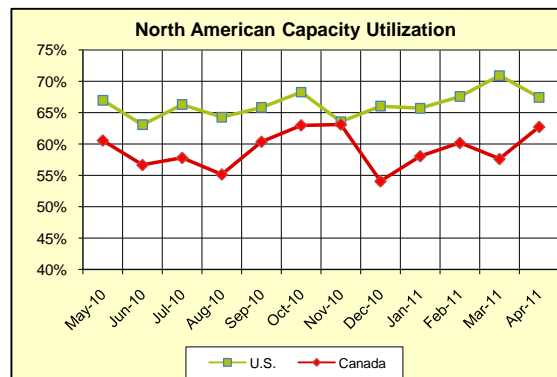
### Inventories

	Apr-11	Apr-10	% Chg
British Columbia	1,077	972	26.6
East of the Rockies	1,548	1,430	21.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,625</b>	<b>2,403</b>	<b>23.6</b>

Source: Statistics Canada, Council of Forest Industries-CAN

## Production as Percent of Practical Capacity

	Full Year		4 months YTD			
	2010	2011	2010	Apr-11	Mar-11	Apr-10
West	73%	76%	74%	75%	82%	76%
South	59%	62%	56%	62%	63%	64%
<b>Total U.S.</b>	<b>65%</b>	<b>68%</b>	<b>64%</b>	<b>67%</b>	<b>71%</b>	<b>69%</b>
British Columbia	60%	64%	60%	68%	60%	63%
East of the Rockies	56%	55%	54%	57%	55%	57%
<b>Total Canada</b>	<b>58%</b>	<b>60%</b>	<b>57%</b>	<b>63%</b>	<b>58%</b>	<b>60%</b>



Source: USDA Profile: Softwood Sawmills in the United States and Canada, WWPA

## Trade Statistics

### U. S. Softwood Lumber Imports (million board feet)

	Full Year	4 months YTD										
	2010	2011	2010	% Chg	Apr-11	Mar-11	Apr-10	M to M %	Y to Y%	1st Qtr 11	1st Qtr 10	% Chg
From British Columbia	5,252	1,546	1,827	-15.4	400	438	498	-8.6	-19.6	1,146	1,329	-13.8
East of the Rockies	3,781	1,309	1,178	11.1	353	359	356	-1.7	-0.9	956	822	16.3
Total Canadian Imports	9,033	2,855	3,005	-5.0	754	798	854	-5.5	-11.8	2,101	2,151	-2.3
From Latin America	231	68	79	-14.2	18	18	21	-4.2	-17.5	50	58	-13.0
From Europe	105	41	34	21.9	9	13	10	-32.7	-10.2	32	24	35.4
Total Non-Canadian	435	141	143	-1.2	36	39	40	-5.7	-10.3	105	103	2.4
Total Lumber Imports	9,468	2,996	3,148	-4.8	790	836	895	-5.5	-11.7	2,206	2,254	-2.1

### U. S. Softwood Lumber Exports (million board feet)

	Full Year	4 months YTD										
	2010	2011	2010	% Chg	Apr-11	Mar-11	Apr-10	M to M %	Y to Y%	1st Qtr 11	1st Qtr 10	% Chg
To Canada	395	119	144	-17.0	32	33	39	-3.6	-18.1	88	105	-16.6
To China	154	125	29	339.5	27	33	9	-19.3	187.2	98	19	414.4
To Japan	161	55	49	12.4	15	15	14	-2.7	2.5	40	34	16.6
To Mexico	197	73	69	5.2	20	19	21	2.3	-4.0	53	49	9.1
To Other Countries	440	167	127	31.4	49	46	42	6.9	15.8	118	85	39.1
Total Lumber Exports	1,347	539	417	29.2	142	146	125	-3.0	13.4	397	292	35.9

### U. S. Softwood Log Imports (million board feet)

From Canada	95	35	13	170.2	7	8	8	-3.7	-0.5	28	6	402.5
Non-Canadian Sources	2	0	0	-18.0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Total Log Imports	97	35	13	169.3	8	8	8	-4.1	-0.5	28	6	398.0

### U. S. Softwood Log Exports (million board feet)

To Japan	418	132	124	6.5	26	49	40	-47.1	-34.6	106	85	25.8
To Canada	521	214	218	-1.9	39	66	33	-40.6	17.2	175	185	-5.3
To Other Countries	1,023	473	212	123.1	159	149	78	6.7	104.1	314	134	134.2
Total Log Exports	1,963	819	554	47.8	224	264	151	-15.1	48.4	595	403	47.5

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, U.S. International Trade Commission, Foreign Agricultural Service

### Canadian Softwood Lumber Exports (million board feet)

To U.S.	9,033	2,855	3,005	-5.0	754	798	854	-5.5	-11.8	2,101	2,151	-2.3
To Japan	1,143	351	358	-1.7	91	99	99	-7.7	-8.2	260	258	0.8
Other	2,754	1,168	692	68.7	297	355	194	-16.3	53.2	871	499	74.7
Total Lumber Exports	12,929	4,374	4,055	7.9	1,142	1,251	1,147	-8.7	-0.5	3,233	2,908	11.2

Source: Statistics Canada, Council of Forest Industries-CAN

### U.S. Softwood Lumber Consumption (million board feet)

	Full Year	4 months YTD										
	2010	2011	2010	% Chg	Apr-11	Mar-11	Apr-10	M to M %	Y to Y%	1st Qtr 11	1st Qtr 10	% Chg
Lumber Shipments	24,907	8,725	8,265	5.6	2,190	2,420	2,362	-9.5	-7.3	6,535	5,904	10.7
Plus Imports	9,468	2,996	3,148	-4.8	790	836	895	-5.5	-11.7	2,206	2,254	-2.1
Minus Exports	(1,347)	(539)	(417)	29.2	(142)	(146)	(125)	-3.0	13.4	(397)	(292)	35.9
Apparent Consumption	33,028	11,182	10,996	1.7	2,838	3,109	3,131	-8.7	-9.4	8,344	7,865	6.1

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	Full Year	4 months YTD										
	2010	2011	2010	% Chg	Apr-11	Mar-11	Apr-10	M to M %	Y to Y%	1st Qtr 11	1st Qtr 10	% Chg
Lumber Shipments	22,037	7,276	7,224	0.7	1,966	1,962	2,036	0.2	-3.4	5,311	5,189	2.4
Plus Imports	426	129	155	-17.0	34	35	42	-3.6	-18.1	95	114	-16.6
Minus Exports	(12,929)	(4,374)	(4,055)	7.9	(1,142)	(1,251)	(1,147)	-8.7	-0.5	(3,233)	(2,908)	11.2
Apparent Consumption	9,534	3,031	3,325	-8.8	858	746	930	15.0	-7.8	2,173	2,394	-9.2



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## Estimated North American Production (million board feet)

Region	2009		2010		MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	2011			
	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB											JAN	FEB	MAR	APR
Coast	480	462	577	581	624	679	604	555	541	613	586	583	522	550	602	573	716	589
Inland	283	278	315	312	352	307	301	319	316	327	337	334	311	337	330	310	391	337
Cal. Redwood	14	18	25	23	34	44	37	47	44	48	43	53	38	30	18	49	50	40
<b>Total West</b>	<b>777</b>	<b>758</b>	<b>917</b>	<b>915</b>	<b>1,010</b>	<b>1,030</b>	<b>942</b>	<b>920</b>	<b>901</b>	<b>988</b>	<b>966</b>	<b>970</b>	<b>871</b>	<b>917</b>	<b>950</b>	<b>932</b>	<b>1,158</b>	<b>966</b>
South	814	840	936	855	1,007	1,172	999	1,091	1,117	1,061	1,038	1,108	972	998	1,050	1,027	1,206	1,086
Other	89	89	102	99	112	123	108	112	113	114	112	116	103	107	112	109	132	115
<b>Total U.S.</b>	<b>1,680</b>	<b>1,687</b>	<b>1,954</b>	<b>1,869</b>	<b>2,129</b>	<b>2,325</b>	<b>2,050</b>	<b>2,123</b>	<b>2,130</b>	<b>2,164</b>	<b>2,116</b>	<b>2,194</b>	<b>1,945</b>	<b>2,021</b>	<b>2,111</b>	<b>2,068</b>	<b>2,496</b>	<b>2,167</b>
British Columbia	831	778	953	884	954	1,041	895	942	1,011	939	980	1,017	951	870	1,022	949	1,046	1,084
Prairies & Eastern Canada	803	654	749	784	970	942	931	938	820	891	932	977	952	761	817	866	953	902
<b>Total Canada</b>	<b>1,634</b>	<b>1,432</b>	<b>1,702</b>	<b>1,668</b>	<b>1,924</b>	<b>1,983</b>	<b>1,827</b>	<b>1,880</b>	<b>1,831</b>	<b>1,830</b>	<b>1,912</b>	<b>1,994</b>	<b>1,903</b>	<b>1,631</b>	<b>1,839</b>	<b>1,815</b>	<b>1,999</b>	<b>1,986</b>
<b>Total North America</b>	<b>3,314</b>	<b>3,119</b>	<b>3,656</b>	<b>3,537</b>	<b>4,053</b>	<b>4,308</b>	<b>3,876</b>	<b>4,003</b>	<b>3,961</b>	<b>3,994</b>	<b>4,027</b>	<b>4,188</b>	<b>3,849</b>	<b>3,652</b>	<b>3,950</b>	<b>3,883</b>	<b>4,494</b>	<b>4,153</b>

## Estimated North American Shipments (million board feet)

Region	2009		2010		MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	2011			
	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB											JAN	FEB	MAR	APR
Coast	513	498	553	565	623	670	566	550	566	607	604	566	521	569	585	538	668	607
Inland	283	265	306	306	355	353	295	299	310	333	323	323	302	321	328	303	380	344
Cal. Redwood	28	28	25	30	34	43	38	36	47	41	43	42	40	35	35	32	38	38
<b>Total West</b>	<b>825</b>	<b>791</b>	<b>884</b>	<b>900</b>	<b>1,012</b>	<b>1,065</b>	<b>899</b>	<b>885</b>	<b>924</b>	<b>981</b>	<b>970</b>	<b>931</b>	<b>863</b>	<b>925</b>	<b>948</b>	<b>873</b>	<b>1,086</b>	<b>988</b>
South	814	840	936	855	1,007	1,172	999	1,091	1,117	1,061	1,038	1,108	972	998	1,050	1,027	1,206	1,086
Other	91	91	100	98	112	124	106	110	114	114	112	114	102	107	111	106	128	116
<b>Total U.S.</b>	<b>1,730</b>	<b>1,722</b>	<b>1,919</b>	<b>1,853</b>	<b>2,131</b>	<b>2,362</b>	<b>2,004</b>	<b>2,087</b>	<b>2,155</b>	<b>2,156</b>	<b>2,120</b>	<b>2,153</b>	<b>1,937</b>	<b>2,030</b>	<b>2,109</b>	<b>2,006</b>	<b>2,420</b>	<b>2,190</b>
British Columbia	826	839	962	890	916	1,034	841	946	994	935	992	979	927	895	923	860	1,071	1,086
Prairies & Eastern Canada	852	690	759	749	912	1,002	903	962	907	839	981	963	933	816	779	787	890	879
<b>Total Canada</b>	<b>1,678</b>	<b>1,529</b>	<b>1,721</b>	<b>1,639</b>	<b>1,829</b>	<b>2,036</b>	<b>1,744</b>	<b>1,908</b>	<b>1,901</b>	<b>1,773</b>	<b>1,973</b>	<b>1,943</b>	<b>1,860</b>	<b>1,711</b>	<b>1,702</b>	<b>1,647</b>	<b>1,962</b>	<b>1,966</b>
<b>Total North America</b>	<b>3,408</b>	<b>3,250</b>	<b>3,640</b>	<b>3,492</b>	<b>3,960</b>	<b>4,397</b>	<b>3,748</b>	<b>3,995</b>	<b>4,056</b>	<b>3,930</b>	<b>4,093</b>	<b>4,096</b>	<b>3,797</b>	<b>3,741</b>	<b>3,812</b>	<b>3,653</b>	<b>4,381</b>	<b>4,155</b>

## Estimated U.S. Orders (million board feet)

Region	2009		2010		MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	2011			
	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB											JAN	FEB	MAR	APR
Coast	531	486	599	529	652	667	509	573	561	617	617	573	497	598	580	542	683	608
Inland	288	247	357	277	397	340	273	309	308	345	324	333	308	322	315	321	369	371
Cal. Redwood	33	44	36	34	30	44	31	33	43	39	42	40	36	32	34	32	36	38
<b>Total West</b>	<b>853</b>	<b>778</b>	<b>992</b>	<b>839</b>	<b>1,078</b>	<b>1,052</b>	<b>814</b>	<b>915</b>	<b>912</b>	<b>1,001</b>	<b>983</b>	<b>946</b>	<b>841</b>	<b>952</b>	<b>929</b>	<b>895</b>	<b>1,088</b>	<b>1,017</b>
South	814	840	936	855	1,007	1,172	999	1,091	1,117	1,061	1,038	1,108	972	998	1,050	1,027	1,206	1,086
Other	93	90	106	94	116	124	101	112	113	115	113	115	101	109	110	107	128	117
<b>Total U.S.</b>	<b>1,760</b>	<b>1,708</b>	<b>2,034</b>	<b>1,789</b>	<b>2,201</b>	<b>2,348</b>	<b>1,914</b>	<b>2,118</b>	<b>2,143</b>	<b>2,177</b>	<b>2,134</b>	<b>2,168</b>	<b>1,914</b>	<b>2,059</b>	<b>2,089</b>	<b>2,029</b>	<b>2,422</b>	<b>2,221</b>

## Estimated U.S. Unfilled Orders (million board feet)

Region	2009		2010		MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	2011			
	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB											JAN	FEB	MAR	APR
Coast	185	174	219	184	213	210	153	176	171	181	194	201	181	215	216	220	235	236
Inland	196	178	229	200	241	228	207	217	214	226	227	237	243	245	233	250	240	267
Cal. Redwood	31	47	58	62	58	60	52	50	46	43	42	40	36	33	32	32	32	32
<b>Total West</b>	<b>412</b>	<b>399</b>	<b>507</b>	<b>446</b>	<b>512</b>	<b>498</b>	<b>412</b>	<b>442</b>	<b>431</b>	<b>450</b>	<b>463</b>	<b>478</b>	<b>460</b>	<b>493</b>	<b>481</b>	<b>503</b>	<b>506</b>	<b>535</b>
South	807	807	807	807	807	807	807	807	807	807	807	807	807	807	807	807	807	807
Other	122	122	128	124	128	127	123	124	124	125	125	126	125	127	125	127	127	128
<b>Total U.S.</b>	<b>1,341</b>	<b>1,327</b>	<b>1,441</b>	<b>1,377</b>	<b>1,447</b>	<b>1,432</b>	<b>1,342</b>	<b>1,373</b>	<b>1,361</b>	<b>1,381</b>	<b>1,395</b>	<b>1,411</b>	<b>1,392</b>	<b>1,426</b>	<b>1,413</b>	<b>1,436</b>	<b>1,439</b>	<b>1,470</b>

## Estimated North American Inventories (million board feet)

Region	2009		2010		MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	2011			
	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB											JAN	FEB	MAR	APR
Coast	431	395	518	534	536	545	583	587	558	564	557	563	563	544	559	594	642	626
Inland	425	438	452	458	454	409	414	434	437	430	447	455	464	482	482	490	499	495
Cal. Redwood	171	160	159	152	152	153	152	163	160	166	167	178	176	171	154	171	184	187
<b>Total West</b>	<b>1,027</b>	<b>994</b>	<b>1,129</b>	<b>1,144</b>	<b>1,142</b>	<b>1,107</b>	<b>1,149</b>	<b>1,184</b>	<b>1,154</b>	<b>1,161</b>	<b>1,171</b>	<b>1,197</b>	<b>1,204</b>	<b>1,198</b>	<b>1,196</b>	<b>1,255</b>	<b>1,325</b>	<b>1,308</b>
South	1,818	1,818	1,818	1,818	1,818	1,818	1,818	1,818	1,818	1,818	1,818	1,818	1,818	1,818	1,818	1,818	1,818	1,818
Other	273	271	273	274	273	271	274	276	275	275	275	277	277	277	277	280	284	283
<b>Total U.S.</b>	<b>3,118</b>	<b>3,083</b>	<b>3,220</b>	<b>3,236</b>	<b>3,234</b>	<b>3,196</b>	<b>3,241</b>	<b>3,278</b>	<b>3,247</b>	<b>3,254</b>	<b>3,264</b>	<b>3,292</b>	<b>3,300</b>	<b>3,293</b>	<b>3,291</b>	<b>3,354</b>	<b>3,427</b>	<b>3,409</b>
British Columbia	1,004	943	934	928	966	972	1,027	1,023	1,039	1,034	1,007	1,050	1,091	1,077	1,136	1,234	1,207	1,231
Prairies & Eastern Canada	1,443	1,408	1,397	1,433	1,490	1,430	1,459	1,435	1,348	1,506	1,520	1,566	1,572	1,548	1,481	1,610	1,659	1,739
<b>Total Canada</b>	<b>2,447</b>	<b>2,351</b>	<b>2,331</b>	<b>2,361</b>	<b>2,456</b>	<b>2,403</b>	<b>2,486</b>	<b>2,457</b>	<b>2,387</b>	<b>2,539</b>	<b>2,526</b>	<b>2,616</b>	<b>2,663</b>	<b>2,625</b>	<b>2,617</b>	<b>2,844</b>	<b>2,867</b>	<b>2,970</b>
<b>Total North America</b>	<b>5,565</b>	<b>5,434</b>	<b>5,551</b>	<b>5,597</b>	<b>5,689</b>	<b>5,599</b>	<b>5,727</b>	<b>5,736</b>	<b>5,634</b>	<b>5,793</b>	<b>5,790</b>	<b>5,908</b>	<b>5,962</b>	<b>5,918</b>	<b>5,908</b>	<b>6,198</b>	<b>6,294</b>	<b>6,379</b>