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

Production	Full Year	1 month YTD										
	2012	2013	2012	% Chg	Jan-13	Dec-12	Jan-12	M to M %	Y to Y%	4th Qtr 12	4th Qtr 11	% Chg
West	12,863	1,159	1,002	15.6	1,159	954	1,002	21.5	15.6	3,251	2,697	20.5
South	14,295	1,300	1,183	9.9	1,300	1,060	1,183	22.6	9.9	3,506	3,223	8.8
Other	1,515	137	122	12.2	137	112	122	22.1	12.2	377	333	13.1
Total	28,674	2,596	2,307	12.5	2,596	2,126	2,307	22.1	12.5	7,134	6,254	14.1

## Shipments

West	12,747	1,139	958	18.8	1,139	958	958	18.9	18.8	3,245	2,780	16.7
South	14,295	1,300	1,183	9.9	1,300	1,060	1,183	22.6	9.9	3,506	3,223	8.8
Other	1,509	136	120	13.6	136	113	120	20.9	13.6	377	339	11.0
Total	28,551	2,575	2,261	13.9	2,575	2,130	2,261	20.9	13.9	7,127	6,343	12.4

## New Orders

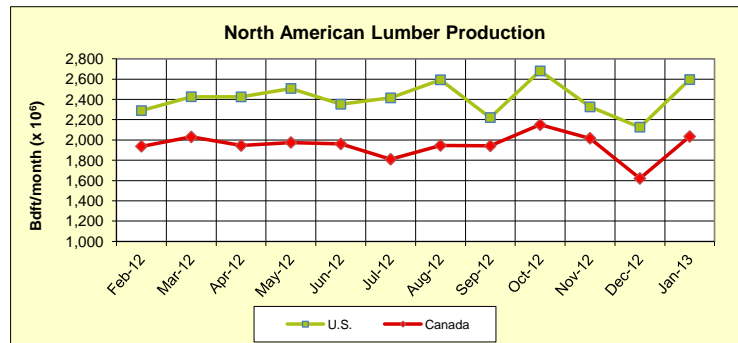
West	12,817	1,152	987	16.8	1,152	993	987	16.1	16.8	3,276	2,768	18.4
South	14,295	1,300	1,183	9.9	1,300	1,060	1,183	22.6	9.9	3,506	3,223	8.8
Other	1,513	137	121	12.7	137	115	121	19.5	12.7	378	339	11.8
Total	28,625	2,589	2,291	13.0	2,589	2,167	2,291	19.5	13.0	7,161	6,329	13.1

## Unfilled Orders

		Jan-13	Jan-12	% Chg
West	500	510	492	3.7
South	673	673	673	0.0
Other	72	72	69	4.5
Total	1,244	1,255	1,234	1.7

## Inventories

		Jan-13	Jan-12	% Chg
West	1,324	1,338	1,257	6.4
South	1,482	1,482	1,482	0.0
Other	160	162	156	3.3
Total	2,967	2,981	2,896	2.9



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)

Production	Full Year	1 month YTD										
	2012	2013	2012	% Chg	Jan-13	Dec-12	Jan-12	M to M %	Y to Y%	4th Qtr 12	4th Qtr 11	% Chg
British Columbia	12,308	1,091	1,037	5.2	1,091	839	1,037	30.1	5.2	2,956	2,929	0.9
East of the Rockies	10,882	943	819	15.2	943	782	819	20.7	15.2	2,831	2,441	16.0
Total	23,190	2,034	1,856	9.6	2,034	1,621	1,856	25.5	9.6	5,787	5,370	7.8

## Shipments

British Columbia	12,239	957	967	-1.0	957	846	967	13.0	-1.0	2,995	3,057	-2.0
East of the Rockies	10,183	849	756	12.3	849	737	756	15.2	12.3	2,602	2,272	14.5
Total	22,422	1,805	1,722	4.8	1,805	1,583	1,722	14.1	4.8	5,596	5,330	5.0

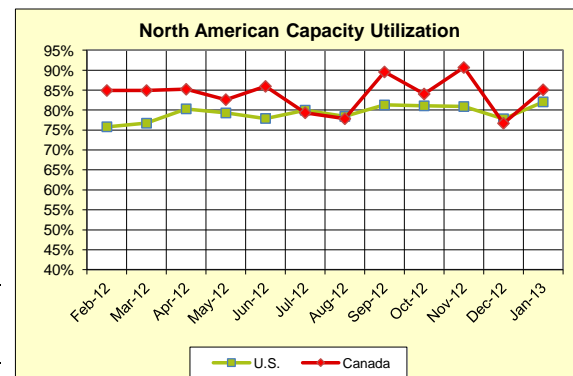
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		Jan-13	Jan-12	% Chg
British Columbia	999	1,157	1,165	-0.7
East of the Rockies	1,491	1,536	1,447	6.2
Total	2,490	2,693	2,612	3.1

Source: Statistics Canada, Council of Forest Industries-CAN

## Production as Percent of Practical Capacity

	Full Year	1 month YTD				
	2012	2013	2012	Jan-13	Dec-12	Jan-12
West	78%	81%	73%	81%	77%	73%
South	80%	83%	79%	83%	79%	79%
Total U.S.	79%	82%	76%	82%	78%	76%
British Columbia	84%	86%	85%	86%	76%	85%
East of the Rockies	83%	84%	77%	84%	77%	77%
Total Canada	84%	85%	81%	85%	77%	81%



Sources: FEA, LLC: Softwood Sawmills in the United States and Canada, WWPA

## Trade Statistics

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

	Full Year	1 month YTD										
	2012	2013	2012	% Chg								
From British Columbia	5,337	423	345	22.4	423	371	345	13.9	22.4	1,306	1,279	2.1
East of the Rockies	4,192	334	300	11.2	334	338	300	-1.1	11.2	1,108	1,038	6.7
Total Canadian Imports	9,528	756	645	17.2	756	709	645	6.7	17.2	2,414	2,318	4.1
From Latin America	161	19	19	-0.2	19	15	19	24.2	-0.2	48	46	4.3
From Europe	87	15	10	56.1	15	13	10	16.9	56.1	28	39	-26.8
Total Non-Canadian	336	41	34	19.7	41	35	34	17.5	19.7	98	107	-8.2
Total Lumber Imports	9,864	797	680	17.3	797	744	680	7.2	17.3	2,512	2,425	3.6

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

	Full Year	1 month YTD										
	2012	2013	2012	% Chg								
To Canada	377	35	26	34.7	35	28	26	25.7	34.7	94	85	11.5
To China	245	22	36	-37.9	22	33	36	-33.8	-37.9	75	97	-22.8
To Japan	164	12	11	14.5	12	13	11	-0.7	14.5	40	48	-17.0
To Mexico	282	22	20	11.1	22	13	20	79.1	11.1	69	61	13.2
To Other Countries	514	41	36	15.3	41	61	36	-33.0	15.3	146	113	29.4
Total Lumber Exports	1,582	133	128	3.7	133	148	128	-9.9	3.7	424	404	5.1

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

From Canada	133	12	7	62.1	12	4	7	198.7	62.1	13	19	-29.9
Non-Canadian Sources	0	0	0	-96.7	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Total Log Imports	133	12	7	57.6	12	4	7	198.9	57.6	13	19	-29.8

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

To China	941	67	48	39.7	67	101	48	-33.4	39.7	276	232	18.8
To Japan	461	35	38	-8.0	35	38	38	-8.0	-8.0	128	136	-6.1
To Canada	451	56	53	4.4	56	32	53	72.7	4.4	99	110	-10.2
To Other Countries	257	16	30	-46.9	16	24	30	-34.9	-46.9	58	73	-19.8
Total Log Exports	2,110	174	170	2.7	174	196	170	-11.1	2.7	561	551	1.8

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

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

To U.S.	9,528	756	645	17.2	756	709	645	6.7	17.2	2,414	2,318	4.1
To China	3,211	223	263	-15.1	223	94	263	136.1	-15.1	864	742	16.5
To Japan	1,123	77	68	12.2	77	94	68	-18.8	12.2	311	312	-0.2
Other	959	53	65	-18.5	53	237	65	-77.6	-18.5	191	249	-23.3
Total Lumber Exports	14,821	1,109	1,042	6.5	1,109	1,135	1,042	-2.3	6.5	3,781	3,621	4.4

Source: Statistics Canada, Council of Forest Industries-CAN

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

	Full Year	1 month YTD										
	2012	2013	2012	% Chg								
Lumber Shipments	28,551	2,575	2,261	13.9	2,575	2,130	2,261	20.9	13.9	7,127	6,343	12.4
Plus Imports	9,864	797	680	17.3	797	744	680	7.2	17.3	2,512	2,425	3.6
Minus Exports	(1,582)	(133)	(128)	3.7	(133)	(148)	(128)	-9.9	3.7	(424)	(404)	5.1
Apparent Consumption	36,834	3,239	2,812	15.2	3,239	2,726	2,812	18.8	15.2	9,215	8,364	10.2

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

	Full Year	1 month YTD										
	2012	2013	2012	% Chg								
Lumber Shipments	22,422	1,805	1,722	4.8	1,805	1,583	1,722	14.1	4.8	5,596	5,330	5.0
Plus Imports	408	38	28	34.7	38	30	28	25.7	34.7	102	91	11.5
Minus Exports	(14,821)	(1,109)	(1,042)	6.5	(1,109)	(1,135)	(1,042)	-2.3	6.5	(3,781)	(3,621)	4.4
Apparent Consumption	8,009	734	709	3.6	734	478	709	53.6	3.6	1,917	1,800	6.5



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### Estimated North American Production (million board feet)

	2011					2012													2013
Region	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	
Coast	668	619	572	539	507	620	632	653	649	695	653	655	733	620	747	664	577	715	
Inland	387	370	363	323	330	350	362	388	356	386	375	353	417	355	432	378	347	395	
Cal. Redwood	44	43	26	23	15	33	35	41	43	40	46	46	41	38	47	30	31	49	
Total West	1,099	1,031	961	885	851	1,002	1,029	1,082	1,048	1,121	1,073	1,054	1,191	1,013	1,226	1,071	954	1,159	
South	1,127	1,154	1,141	1,081	1,001	1,183	1,140	1,217	1,249	1,255	1,155	1,234	1,265	1,091	1,314	1,132	1,060	1,300	
Other	126	123	118	111	104	122	121	128	128	133	124	128	137	117	142	123	112	137	
Total U.S.	2,352	2,309	2,221	2,076	1,957	2,307	2,290	2,427	2,425	2,508	2,353	2,415	2,594	2,221	2,681	2,326	2,126	2,596	
British Columbia	1,015	1,012	1,059	1,002	868	1,037	1,063	1,101	1,044	1,045	1,044	1,021	1,032	964	1,088	1,029	839	1,091	
Prairies & Eastern Canada	815	860	924	834	684	819	875	929	900	930	918	790	914	977	1,061	988	782	943	
Total Canada	1,830	1,872	1,983	1,836	1,552	1,856	1,938	2,030	1,945	1,975	1,961	1,810	1,946	1,942	2,150	2,017	1,621	2,034	
Total North America	4,182	4,180	4,204	3,912	3,509	4,163	4,227	4,457	4,370	4,484	4,314	4,226	4,539	4,163	4,831	4,343	3,747	4,630	

### Estimated North American Shipments (million board feet)

		2011					2012													2013
Region	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN		
Coast	665	631	593	543	541	592	623	637	641	698	661	664	728	585	742	678	578	679		
Inland	374	356	341	329	337	334	357	382	372	397	366	366	408	347	410	376	343	418		
Cal. Redwood	44	43	33	33	30	32	29	36	38	41	46	44	38	39	44	36	36	41		
<b>Total West</b>	<b>1,082</b>	<b>1,029</b>	<b>967</b>	<b>905</b>	<b>908</b>	<b>958</b>	<b>1,009</b>	<b>1,055</b>	<b>1,051</b>	<b>1,136</b>	<b>1,073</b>	<b>1,074</b>	<b>1,175</b>	<b>971</b>	<b>1,197</b>	<b>1,090</b>	<b>958</b>	<b>1,139</b>		
South	1,127	1,154	1,141	1,081	1,001	1,183	1,140	1,217	1,249	1,255	1,155	1,234	1,265	1,091	1,314	1,132	1,060	1,300		
Other	125	123	119	112	108	120	120	127	128	133	124	129	136	115	140	124	113	136		
<b>Total U.S.</b>	<b>2,334</b>	<b>2,307</b>	<b>2,227</b>	<b>2,098</b>	<b>2,017</b>	<b>2,261</b>	<b>2,269</b>	<b>2,399</b>	<b>2,428</b>	<b>2,524</b>	<b>2,353</b>	<b>2,436</b>	<b>2,576</b>	<b>2,178</b>	<b>2,651</b>	<b>2,346</b>	<b>2,130</b>	<b>2,575</b>		
British Columbia	1,021	1,086	1,057	1,038	962	967	1,049	1,092	1,024	1,029	1,058	1,058	1,033	935	1,130	1,018	846	957		
Prairies & Eastern Canada	725	774	844	796	632	756	782	814	871	899	845	902	864	849	973	892	737	849		
<b>Total Canada</b>	<b>1,746</b>	<b>1,859</b>	<b>1,901</b>	<b>1,834</b>	<b>1,594</b>	<b>1,722</b>	<b>1,831</b>	<b>1,906</b>	<b>1,895</b>	<b>1,929</b>	<b>1,903</b>	<b>1,960</b>	<b>1,896</b>	<b>1,783</b>	<b>2,103</b>	<b>1,910</b>	<b>1,583</b>	<b>1,805</b>		
<b>Total North America</b>	<b>4,081</b>	<b>4,166</b>	<b>4,129</b>	<b>3,932</b>	<b>3,611</b>	<b>3,983</b>	<b>4,101</b>	<b>4,305</b>	<b>4,323</b>	<b>4,453</b>	<b>4,255</b>	<b>4,397</b>	<b>4,472</b>	<b>3,961</b>	<b>4,754</b>	<b>4,257</b>	<b>3,713</b>	<b>4,380</b>		

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

	2011					2012													2013
Region	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	
Coast	653	635	584	533	537	608	611	637	628	711	665	668	713	615	731	668	579	693	
Inland	384	361	340	332	345	349	349	367	386	385	374	379	400	361	418	379	370	416	
Cal. Redwood	47	37	33	41	23	30	32	35	41	42	44	37	39	36	48	38	44	43	
Total West	1,084	1,033	957	906	905	987	992	1,039	1,056	1,137	1,082	1,084	1,153	1,012	1,198	1,085	993	1,152	
South	1,127	1,154	1,141	1,081	1,001	1,183	1,140	1,217	1,249	1,255	1,155	1,234	1,265	1,091	1,314	1,132	1,060	1,300	
Other	125	124	119	112	108	121	119	126	129	133	125	129	135	117	140	124	115	137	
Total U.S.	2,336	2,310	2,216	2,099	2,014	2,291	2,251	2,382	2,433	2,526	2,362	2,448	2,552	2,220	2,652	2,341	2,167	2,589	

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

	2011					2012													2013
Region	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	
Coast	245	249	240	230	226	241	230	230	221	234	238	242	226	256	245	231	232	246	
Inland	193	197	196	198	206	221	219	206	221	208	216	229	220	230	238	240	227	221	
Cal. Redwood	36	30	31	39	32	30	32	31	34	35	33	26	29	26	30	33	40	43	
<b>Total West</b>	<b>474</b>	<b>477</b>	<b>466</b>	<b>467</b>	<b>463</b>	<b>492</b>	<b>481</b>	<b>467</b>	<b>476</b>	<b>478</b>	<b>486</b>	<b>497</b>	<b>476</b>	<b>512</b>	<b>514</b>	<b>504</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>510</b>	
South	669	669	669	669	669	673	673	673	673	673	673	673	673	673	673	673	673	673	
Other	68	68	68	68	68	69	68	67	68	68	68	69	68	70	70	70	72	72	
<b>Total U.S.</b>	<b>1,211</b>	<b>1,214</b>	<b>1,203</b>	<b>1,204</b>	<b>1,200</b>	<b>1,234</b>	<b>1,222</b>	<b>1,207</b>	<b>1,217</b>	<b>1,218</b>	<b>1,228</b>	<b>1,239</b>	<b>1,217</b>	<b>1,255</b>	<b>1,257</b>	<b>1,247</b>	<b>1,244</b>	<b>1,255</b>	

### Estimated North American Inventories (million board feet)

	2011					2012													2013
Region	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	
Coast	643	633	612	606	572	600	609	626	635	631	623	613	620	646	654	629	630	667	
Inland	459	472	494	488	481	497	506	509	493	482	490	479	489	497	520	521	524	501	
Cal. Redwood	193	193	186	176	160	161	167	172	177	176	176	179	182	180	186	177	171	170	
Total West	1,296	1,298	1,292	1,270	1,213	1,257	1,282	1,307	1,304	1,289	1,289	1,271	1,291	1,324	1,360	1,328	1,324	1,338	
South	1,359	1,359	1,359	1,359	1,359	1,482	1,482	1,482	1,482	1,482	1,482	1,482	1,482	1,482	1,482	1,482	1,482	1,482	
Other	160	160	159	158	154	156	157	159	159	158	158	157	158	160	162	161	160	162	
Total U.S.	2,815	2,817	2,810	2,786	2,726	2,896	2,921	2,948	2,945	2,929	2,929	2,910	2,930	2,966	3,004	2,970	2,967	2,981	
British Columbia	1,174	1,131	1,167	1,163	1,100	1,165	1,154	1,137	1,127	1,131	1,110	1,082	1,067	1,072	1,033	1,011	999	1,157	
Prairies & Eastern Canada	1,529	1,526	1,508	1,450	1,410	1,447	1,518	1,561	1,549	1,524	1,549	1,398	1,383	1,470	1,479	1,494	1,491	1,536	
Total Canada	2,703	2,656	2,675	2,613	2,510	2,612	2,672	2,698	2,676	2,655	2,659	2,479	2,449	2,542	2,512	2,504	2,490	2,693	
Total North America	5,518	5,473	5,485	5,399	5,236	5,508	5,593	5,646	5,621	5,585	5,589	5,389	5,380	5,508	5,516	5,475	5,457	5,675	