



Lumber Track

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

Production	Full Year	10 months YTD			% Chg	Oct-21	Sep-21	Oct-20	M to M %	Y to Y %	3rd Qtr 21	3rd Qtr 20	% Chg
	2020	2021	2020										
West	14,453	12,279	12,102	1.5	1,202	1,155	1,301	4.0	-7.6		3,460	3,747	-7.7
South	20,793	17,644	17,360	1.6	1,759	1,792	1,840	-1.8	-4.4		5,312	5,313	0.0
Other	1,661	1,410	1,388	1.6	140	139	148	0.5	-5.7		413	427	-3.2
Total	36,907	31,334	30,850	1.6	3,100	3,086	3,289	0.5	-5.7		9,185	9,487	-3.2

Shipments

West	14,550	12,183	12,232	-0.4	1,232	1,212	1,241	1.6	-0.7		3,444	3,825	-10.0
South	20,793	17,644	17,360	1.6	1,759	1,792	1,840	-1.8	-4.4		5,312	5,313	0.0
Other	1,666	1,406	1,395	0.8	141	142	145	-0.4	-2.9		413	431	-4.2
Total	37,009	31,233	30,987	0.8	3,132	3,146	3,227	-0.4	-2.9		9,169	9,569	-4.2

New Orders

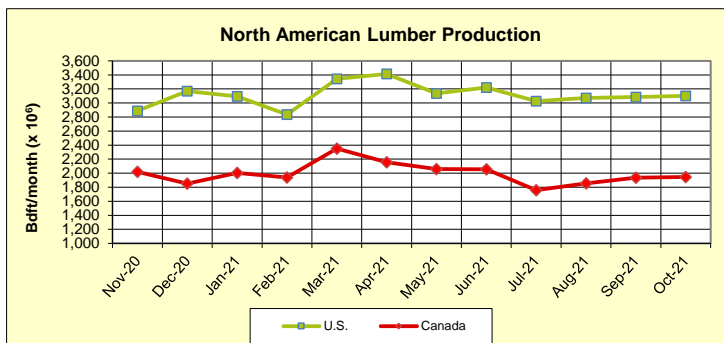
West	14,546	12,229	12,175	0.4	1,214	1,183	1,235	2.7	-1.7		3,479	3,806	-8.6
South	20,793	17,644	17,360	1.6	1,759	1,792	1,840	-1.8	-4.4		5,312	5,313	0.0
Other	1,665	1,408	1,392	1.1	140	140	145	0.0	-3.3		414	430	-3.6
Total	37,005	31,281	30,927	1.1	3,113	3,115	3,220	0.0	-3.3		9,206	9,549	-3.6

Unfilled Orders

	Oct-21	Oct-20	
West	483	532	24.1
South	646	696	7.7
Other	69	71	7.0
Total	1,198	1,300	13.8

Inventories

	Oct-21	Oct-20	
West	1,115	1,210	11.9
South	1,697	1,697	0.0
Other	156	161	3.9
Total	2,968	3,068	4.6



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	10 months YTD			% Chg	Oct-21	Sep-21	Oct-20	M to M %	Y to Y %	3rd Qtr 21	3rd Qtr 20	% Chg
	2020	2021	2020										
British Columbia	8,921	7,930	7,412	7.0	754	732	836	3.0	-9.8		2,187	2,423	-9.7
East of the Rockies	14,135	12,125	11,771	3.0	1,190	1,203	1,263	-1.1	-5.7		3,360	3,523	-4.6
Total	23,055	20,055	19,184	4.5	1,944	1,935	2,099	0.5	-7.4		5,547	5,946	-6.7

Shipments

British Columbia	9,030	8,060	7,449	8.2	697	742	872	-6.0	-20.0		2,224	2,408	-7.7
East of the Rockies	13,687	11,595	11,371	2.0	1,176	1,223	1,173	-3.9	0.3		3,349	3,458	-3.2
Total	22,717	19,654	18,820	4.4	1,874	1,966	2,045	-4.7	-8.4		5,573	5,867	-5.0

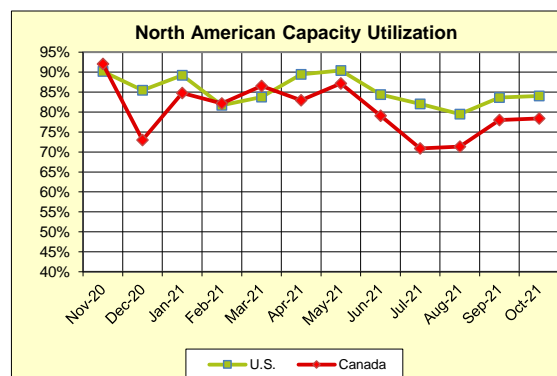
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	Oct-21	Oct-20	
British Columbia	997	960	-10.3
East of the Rockies	1,726	1,868	7.6
Total	2,723	2,828	0.8

Source: Statistics Canada, Council of Forest Industries-CAN

Production as Percent of Practical Capacity

	Full Year	10 months YTD				
	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>Oct-21</u>	<u>Sep-21</u>	<u>Oct-20</u>
West	80%	82%	80%	81%	77%	83%
South	91%	87%	90%	87%	88%	93%
Total U.S.	86%	85%	86%	84%	84%	89%
British Columbia	73%	76%	72%	73%	71%	79%
East of the Rockies	82%	83%	82%	82%	83%	85%
Total Canada	78%	80%	78%	78%	78%	83%



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

Trade Statistics

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

	Full Year	10 months YTD										
	2020	2021	2020	% Chg	Oct-21	Sep-21	Oct-20	M to M %	Y to Y%	3rd Qtr 21	3rd Qtr 20	% Chg
From British Columbia ¹	5,588	5,261	4,538	16.0	477	408	605	17.0	-21.2	1,376	1,576	-12.7
East of the Rockies ¹	7,534	6,294	6,249	0.7	701	652	647	7.5	8.3	1,822	1,938	-6.0
Total Canadian Imports ¹	13,122	11,556	10,787	7.1	1,178	1,060	1,253	11.2	-6.0	3,198	3,514	-9.0
From Canada ²	13,078	11,547	10,745	7.5	1,178	1,059	1,252	11.2	-5.9	3,196	3,510	-8.9
From Latin America ²	479	403	380	6.0	44	42	49	5.5	-10.2	129	121	6.8
From Europe ²	1,421	1,412	1,098	28.5	104	114	147	-9.3	-29.3	419	314	33.2
Total Non-Canadian ²	2,105	1,967	1,642	19.8	161	174	212	-7.4	-23.9	597	484	23.5
Total Lumber Imports ²	15,183	13,514	12,386	9.1	1,339	1,233	1,464	8.6	-8.6	3,793	3,998	-5.1

1 - Data provided by Statistics Canada, Council of Forest Industries-Canada

2 - Data provided by U.S. International Trade Commission / U.S Census

Note: The data sources for all U.S. SW lumber import values are noted above.

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

	Full Year	10 months YTD										
	2020	2021	2020	% Chg	Oct-21	Sep-21	Oct-20	M to M %	Y to Y%	3rd Qtr 21	3rd Qtr 20	% Chg
To Canada	287	327	239	36.7	29	34	21	-15.7	36.0	98	71	39.0
To China	97	69	88	-21.2	9	14	5	-36.2	89.5	34	20	72.5
To Japan	70	50	61	-18.3	6	6	5	-9.8	1.9	19	14	36.6
To Mexico	247	310	202	53.6	52	41	26	25.7	98.1	124	64	95.1
To Other Countries	416	441	343	28.2	58	48	41	20.9	42.0	147	95	54.2
Total Lumber Exports	1,117	1,197	934	28.2	153	143	98	6.6	55.7	422	263	60.4

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

From Canada	56	66	46	45.6	1	1	9	-2.9	-86.7	15	11	41.4
Non-Canadian Sources	23	21	22	-2.8	1	0	0	0.0	0.0	5	5	9.5
Total Log Imports	79	88	67	30.0	2	2	9	34.8	-74.4	21	16	31.4

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

To China	630	729	531	37.2	75	76	73	-2.1	2.7	256	189	35.1
To Japan	352	292	309	-5.6	31	40	32	-21.5	-4.0	91	82	10.3
To Canada	119	206	100	106.7	35	32	11	11.3	221.6	85	28	201.1
To Other Countries	129	153	105	45.6	13	10	10	25.1	29.2	55	35	56.8
Total Log Exports	1,230	1,379	1,044	32.0	154	158	126	-2.6	22.1	486	335	45.2

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

Canadian Softwood Lumber Exports (million board feet)

To U.S.	13,122	11,556	10,787	7.1	1,178	1,060	1,253	11.2	-6.0	3,198	3,514	-9.0
To China	1,240	566	1,066	-46.9	99	99	75	-0.2	31.9	200	259	-22.9
To Japan	581	506	475	6.6	45	51	40	-11.9	13.2	170	118	44.3
Other	493	548	398	37.7	51	64	34	-20.5	47.9	176	100	75.5
Total Lumber Exports	15,437	13,176	12,725	3.5	1,373	1,274	1,402	7.8	-2.1	3,743	3,991	-6.2

Sources: Statistics Canada, Council of Forest Industries-CAN

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

	Full Year	10 months YTD										
	2020	2021	2020	% Chg	Oct-21	Sep-21	Oct-20	M to M %	Y to Y%	3rd Qtr 21	3rd Qtr 20	% Chg
Lumber Shipments	37,009	31,233	30,987	0.8	3,132	3,146	3,227	-0.4	-2.9	9,169	9,569	-4.2
Plus Imports	15,183	13,514	12,386	9.1	1,339	1,233	1,464	8.6	-8.6	3,793	3,998	-5.1
Minus Exports	(1,117)	(1,197)	(934)	28.2	(153)	(143)	(98)	6.6	55.7	(422)	(263)	60.4
Apparent Consumption	51,075	43,550	42,439	2.6	4,318	4,236	4,592	1.9	-6.0	12,540	13,304	-5.7

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	2020	2021	2020	% Chg	Oct-21	Sep-21	Oct-20	M to M %	Y to Y%	3rd Qtr 21	3rd Qtr 20	% Chg
Lumber Shipments	22,717	19,654	18,820	4.4	1,874	1,966	2,045	-4.7	-8.4	5,573	5,867	-5.0
Plus Imports	310	353	258	36.7	31	37	23	-15.7	36.0	106	76	39.0
Minus Exports	(15,437)	(13,176)	(12,725)	3.5	(1,373)	(1,274)	(1,402)	7.8	-2.1	(3,743)	(3,991)	-6.2
Apparent Consumption	7,589	6,831	6,353	7.5	531	728	665	-27.0	-20.1	1,935	1,952	-0.8



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Estimated North American Production (million board feet)

	2020								2021									
Region	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT
Coast	674	787	793	756	723	793	702	762	744	733	832	819	772	789	727	716	728	758
Inland	369	421	435	425	424	439	368	404	411	405	470	434	391	427	367	384	371	389
Cal. Coast	51	69	74	57	60	68	58	58	60	67	72	71	56	66	58	53	56	54
Total West	1,095	1,276	1,302	1,238	1,207	1,301	1,128	1,224	1,215	1,205	1,373	1,324	1,219	1,282	1,152	1,153	1,155	1,202
South	1,605	1,729	1,896	1,727	1,690	1,840	1,631	1,802	1,741	1,503	1,820	1,936	1,778	1,795	1,739	1,781	1,792	1,759
Other	127	142	151	140	137	148	130	143	139	128	150	154	141	145	136	138	139	140
Total U.S.	2,827	3,147	3,349	3,105	3,033	3,289	2,889	3,168	3,095	2,835	3,343	3,414	3,138	3,222	3,027	3,072	3,086	3,100
British Columbia	677	788	777	800	845	836	760	748	819	737	918	881	820	814	751	704	732	754
Prairies & Eastern Canada	1,140	1,239	1,094	1,146	1,284	1,263	1,259	1,105	1,184	1,203	1,432	1,275	1,239	1,241	1,007	1,150	1,203	1,190
Total Canada	1,816	2,027	1,871	1,946	2,129	2,099	2,019	1,853	2,003	1,940	2,351	2,156	2,059	2,056	1,758	1,854	1,935	1,944
Total North America	4,643	5,174	5,220	5,051	5,162	5,387	4,907	5,021	5,099	4,775	5,694	5,569	5,197	5,278	4,785	4,926	5,021	5,044

Estimated North American Shipments (million board feet)

Estimated North American Employment (million board feet)																		
	2020								2021									
Region	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT
Coast	694	793	813	746	736	763	695	766	724	694	820	821	762	788	672	745	768	776
Inland	386	437	464	442	424	417	356	390	392	389	469	444	413	410	335	366	385	401
Cal. Coast	53	73	75	66	59	61	54	56	55	67	72	66	54	67	61	53	60	55
Total West	1,132	1,303	1,351	1,254	1,220	1,241	1,106	1,212	1,171	1,150	1,361	1,331	1,229	1,265	1,068	1,164	1,212	1,232
South	1,605	1,729	1,896	1,727	1,690	1,840	1,631	1,802	1,741	1,503	1,820	1,936	1,778	1,795	1,739	1,781	1,792	1,759
Other	129	143	153	140	137	145	129	142	137	125	150	154	142	144	132	139	142	141
Total U.S.	2,866	3,175	3,400	3,122	3,047	3,227	2,866	3,156	3,049	2,778	3,331	3,421	3,149	3,204	2,939	3,084	3,146	3,132
British Columbia	564	711	770	796	842	872	797	785	829	717	909	939	883	861	731	751	742	697
Prairies & Eastern Canada	1,145	1,271	1,137	1,123	1,198	1,173	1,229	1,087	1,095	1,097	1,270	1,288	1,188	1,134	1,020	1,106	1,223	1,176
Total Canada	1,709	1,982	1,907	1,919	2,040	2,045	2,025	1,871	1,924	1,814	2,179	2,226	2,071	1,994	1,751	1,857	1,966	1,874
Total North America	4,576	5,157	5,308	5,041	5,087	5,271	4,891	5,028	4,973	4,592	5,510	5,647	5,220	5,198	4,689	4,940	5,112	5,006

Estimated U.S. Orders (million board feet)

	2020								2021									
Region	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT
Coast	672	786	820	751	732	766	716	754	726	692	828	814	769	831	697	716	751	759
Inland	403	424	442	455	407	408	356	435	397	391	483	439	380	404	358	412	372	399
Cal. Coast	53	73	75	66	59	61	54	56	55	67	72	66	55	67	61	54	60	56
Total West	1,128	1,283	1,337	1,271	1,198	1,235	1,127	1,245	1,178	1,150	1,383	1,319	1,204	1,302	1,115	1,182	1,183	1,214
South	1,605	1,729	1,896	1,727	1,690	1,840	1,631	1,802	1,741	1,503	1,820	1,936	1,778	1,795	1,739	1,781	1,792	1,759
Other	129	142	152	141	136	145	130	144	138	125	151	153	141	146	134	140	140	140
Total U.S.	2,861	3,154	3,385	3,139	3,024	3,220	2,888	3,190	3,056	2,778	3,354	3,408	3,122	3,243	2,989	3,102	3,115	3,113

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

	2020								2021									
Region	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT
Coast	221	213	221	225	221	224	244	232	238	236	243	236	244	288	312	283	266	250
Inland	221	208	186	199	182	172	173	218	223	225	239	234	201	195	217	263	251	249
Cal. Coast	34	34	34	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	34	33	34
Total West	475	455	440	457	436	429	450	483	494	494	515	503	478	515	563	580	550	532
South	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	696
Other	69	68	67	68	67	67	68	69	70	70	71	70	69	71	73	74	72	71
Total U.S.	1,190	1,169	1,154	1,171	1,149	1,142	1,164	1,198	1,210	1,210	1,232	1,219	1,193	1,232	1,282	1,300	1,269	1,300

Estimated North American Inventories (million board feet)

	2020								2021									
Region	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT
Coast	530	524	504	514	501	531	538	533	553	592	603	601	610	611	667	638	598	580
Inland	503	487	458	442	441	463	475	489	508	523	524	514	492	509	540	559	545	534
Cal. Coast	94	90	89	80	80	88	91	93	98	98	98	103	105	104	101	101	97	96
Total West	1,127	1,101	1,052	1,036	1,022	1,082	1,103	1,115	1,159	1,213	1,225	1,218	1,207	1,224	1,309	1,298	1,241	1,210
South	1,697	1,697	1,697	1,697	1,697	1,697	1,697	1,697	1,697	1,697	1,697	1,697	1,697	1,697	1,697	1,697	1,697	1,697
Other	157	156	153	153	152	155	156	156	158	161	161	161	161	161	165	165	162	161
Total U.S.	2,981	2,954	2,902	2,885	2,871	2,933	2,956	2,968	3,014	3,071	3,083	3,076	3,065	3,083	3,171	3,160	3,100	3,068
British Columbia	1,007	1,089	1,126	1,120	1,107	1,070	1,027	997	997	1,039	1,057	1,013	971	934	955	914	907	960
Prairies & Eastern Canada	1,909	1,836	1,719	1,681	1,714	1,736	1,736	1,726	1,751	1,866	1,970	1,925	1,924	1,978	1,919	1,945	1,883	1,868
Total Canada	2,916	2,924	2,845	2,801	2,821	2,806	2,762	2,723	2,749	2,905	3,027	2,938	2,896	2,912	2,874	2,859	2,790	2,828
Total North America	5,897	5,878	5,747	5,687	5,693	5,740	5,719	5,691	5,763	5,976	6,111	6,014	5,960	5,995	6,045	6,019	5,890	5,896