



## Western Wood Products Association

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Results derived from Western Wood Products Association's 2010 Annual Mill Operating Survey have been compiled and tabulated. Final revisions for 2010 have been made in all WWPA statistical reports. Revisions have been made to Western U.S., Southern U.S., and Canadian lumber activity and capacity utilization values for 2009 - 2011 included in this edition of ***Lumber Track***.

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### U.S. West

	2009	2010	Variation
	(MMBF)		(%)
Production	10,394	11,137	7.1%
Shipments	10,629	11,041	3.9%
Orders	10,592	11,126	5.0%



# Lumber Track

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WWPA'S MONTHLY REVIEW OF NORTH AMERICAN LUMBER STATISTICS, INCLUDING TRADE HIGHLIGHTS AND KEY MARKETS

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

	Full Year		5 months YTD		% Chg	May-11	Apr-11	May-10	M to M %	Y to Y %	1st Qtr 11	1st Qtr 10	% Chg
	2010	2011	2010										
<b>Production</b>													
West	11,137	4,946	4,727	4.6	926	970	925	-4.5	0.1		3,050	2,790	9.3
South	12,354	5,502	4,969	10.7	1,085	1,133	999	-4.2	8.6		3,284	2,798	17.4
Other	1,311	583	541	7.8	112	117	107	-4.4	4.5		353	312	13.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>24,802</b>	<b>11,031</b>	<b>10,237</b>	<b>7.8</b>	<b>2,123</b>	<b>2,220</b>	<b>2,032</b>	<b>-4.4</b>	<b>4.5</b>		<b>6,688</b>	<b>5,900</b>	<b>13.4</b>

### Shipments

West	11,041	4,917	4,677	5.1	1,009	992	884	1.8	14.2		2,917	2,747	6.2
South	12,354	5,502	4,969	10.7	1,085	1,133	999	-4.2	8.6		3,284	2,798	17.4
Other	1,305	581	538	8.0	117	119	105	-1.4	11.2		346	309	11.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>24,700</b>	<b>11,001</b>	<b>10,185</b>	<b>8.0</b>	<b>2,211</b>	<b>2,243</b>	<b>1,988</b>	<b>-1.4</b>	<b>11.2</b>		<b>6,547</b>	<b>5,855</b>	<b>11.8</b>

### New Orders

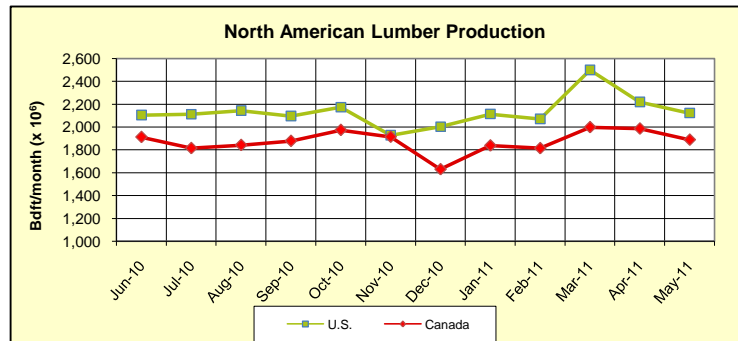
West	11,126	4,933	4,691	5.2	991	1,020	799	-2.8	24.0		2,922	2,859	2.2
South	12,354	5,502	4,969	10.7	1,085	1,133	999	-4.2	8.6		3,284	2,798	17.4
Other	1,310	582	539	8.0	116	120	100	-3.6	15.5		346	316	9.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>24,790</b>	<b>11,017</b>	<b>10,199</b>	<b>8.0</b>	<b>2,192</b>	<b>2,273</b>	<b>1,899</b>	<b>-3.6</b>	<b>15.5</b>		<b>6,552</b>	<b>5,972</b>	<b>9.7</b>

### Unfilled Orders

		May-11	May-10	
West	461	485	380	27.7
South	563	669	563	18.8
Other	67	69	63	11.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,090</b>	<b>1,224</b>	<b>1,006</b>	<b>21.7</b>

### Inventories

		May-11	May-10	
West	1,181	1,206	1,138	5.9
South	1,297	1,359	1,297	4.8
Other	158	160	156	2.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,636</b>	<b>2,725</b>	<b>2,591</b>	<b>5.2</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		5 months YTD		% Chg	May-11	Apr-11	May-10	M to M %	Y to Y %	1st Qtr 11	1st Qtr 10	% Chg
	2010	2011	2010										
<b>Production</b>													
British Columbia	11,482	5,129	4,768	7.6	1,029	1,084	911	-5.1	13.0		3,016	2,825	6.8
East of the Rockies	10,705	4,398	4,449	-1.1	860	902	932	-4.7	-7.7		2,636	2,562	2.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>22,187</b>	<b>9,527</b>	<b>9,217</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>1,889</b>	<b>1,986</b>	<b>1,843</b>	<b>-4.9</b>	<b>2.5</b>		<b>5,652</b>	<b>5,387</b>	<b>4.9</b>

### Shipments

British Columbia	11,381	4,968	4,691	5.9	1,027	1,086	854	-5.5	20.2		2,855	2,801	1.9
East of the Rockies	10,572	4,238	4,341	-2.4	902	879	903	2.6	-0.1		2,456	2,429	1.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>21,953</b>	<b>9,205</b>	<b>9,032</b>	<b>1.9</b>	<b>1,929</b>	<b>1,966</b>	<b>1,757</b>	<b>-1.9</b>	<b>9.8</b>		<b>5,311</b>	<b>5,229</b>	<b>1.6</b>

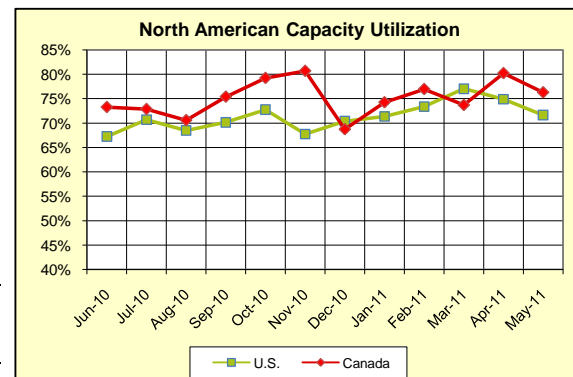
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		May-11	May-10	
British Columbia	1,077	1,231	1,053	16.9
East of the Rockies	1,548	1,727	1,522	13.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,625</b>	<b>2,958</b>	<b>2,574</b>	<b>14.9</b>

Source: Statistics Canada, Council of Forest Industries-CAN

## Production as Percent of Practical Capacity

	Full Year		5 months YTD		May-11	Apr-11	May-10
	2010	2011	2010				
West	72%	76%	73%	72%	75%	75%	
South	67%	71%	65%	71%	74%	68%	
<b>Total U.S.</b>	<b>69%</b>	<b>74%</b>	<b>69%</b>	<b>72%</b>	<b>75%</b>	<b>71%</b>	
British Columbia	73%	78%	73%	79%	83%	73%	
East of the Rockies	76%	74%	75%	73%	77%	83%	
<b>Total Canada</b>	<b>74%</b>	<b>76%</b>	<b>74%</b>	<b>76%</b>	<b>80%</b>	<b>78%</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	5 months YTD										
	2010	2011	2010	% Chg	May-11	Apr-11	May-10	M to M %	Y to Y%	1st Qtr 11	1st Qtr 10	% Chg
From British Columbia	5,252	1,904	2,299	-17.2	358	400	472	-10.5	-24.0	1,146	1,329	-13.8
East of the Rockies	3,781	1,633	1,494	9.3	324	353	315	-8.3	2.7	956	822	16.3
Total Canadian Imports	9,033	3,537	3,793	-6.7	682	754	787	-9.5	-13.3	2,101	2,151	-2.3
From Latin America	231	90	98	-8.0	22	18	19	28.1	17.5	50	58	-13.0
From Europe	105	70	41	70.6	28	9	7	210.3	317.6	32	24	35.4
Total Non-Canadian	435	199	180	11.0	58	36	37	60.2	58.2	105	103	2.4
Total Lumber Imports	9,468	3,737	3,972	-5.9	741	790	824	-6.3	-10.1	2,206	2,254	-2.1

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	Full Year	5 months YTD										
	2010	2011	2010	% Chg	May-11	Apr-11	May-10	M to M %	Y to Y%	1st Qtr 11	1st Qtr 10	% Chg
To Canada	395	151	180	-16.0	32	32	36	1.6	-11.8	88	105	-16.6
To China	154	172	37	359.0	46	27	9	71.5	421.3	98	19	414.4
To Japan	161	69	61	12.6	14	15	12	-2.6	13.3	40	34	16.6
To Mexico	197	93	87	7.3	20	20	17	0.2	15.7	53	49	9.1
To Other Countries	440	208	164	26.6	41	49	37	-16.0	10.3	118	85	39.1
Total Lumber Exports	1,347	692	529	30.8	153	142	112	8.2	36.9	397	292	35.9

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

From Canada	95	46	20	132.1	11	7	7	49.1	60.6	28	6	402.5
Non-Canadian Sources	2	0	0	-40.7	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Total Log Imports	97	47	20	131.3	11	8	7	48.9	60.0	28	6	398.0

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

To Japan	418	168	168	0.0	36	26	44	36.4	-18.6	106	85	25.8
To Canada	521	238	248	-4.1	24	39	31	-37.5	-20.1	175	185	-5.3
To Other Countries	1,023	637	293	117.6	164	159	81	2.9	103.1	314	134	134.2
Total Log Exports	1,963	1,043	709	47.1	224	224	155	-0.2	44.6	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	3,537	3,793	-6.7	682	754	787	-9.5	-13.3	2,101	2,151	-2.3
To Japan	1,143	446	456	-2.2	95	91	99	4.0	-4.0	260	258	0.8
Other	2,754	1,578	900	75.3	410	297	208	38.2	97.4	871	499	74.7
Total Lumber Exports	12,929	5,561	5,149	8.0	1,187	1,142	1,094	4.0	8.5	3,233	2,908	11.2

Source: Statistics Canada, Council of Forest Industries-CAN

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

	Full Year	5 months YTD										
	2010	2011	2010	% Chg	May-11	Apr-11	May-10	M to M %	Y to Y%	1st Qtr 11	1st Qtr 10	% Chg
Lumber Shipments	24,700	11,001	10,185	8.0	2,211	2,243	1,988	-1.4	11.2	6,547	5,855	11.8
Plus Imports	9,468	3,737	3,972	-5.9	741	790	824	-6.3	-10.1	2,206	2,254	-2.1
Minus Exports	(1,347)	(692)	(529)	30.8	(153)	(142)	(112)	8.2	36.9	(397)	(292)	35.9
Apparent Consumption	32,821	14,045	13,628	3.1	2,798	2,891	2,700	-3.2	3.6	8,356	7,816	6.9

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	2010	2011	2010	% Chg	May-11	Apr-11	May-10	M to M %	Y to Y%	1st Qtr 11	1st Qtr 10	% Chg
Lumber Shipments	21,953	9,205	9,032	1.9	1,929	1,966	1,757	-1.9	9.8	5,311	5,229	1.6
Plus Imports	426	164	195	-16.0	35	34	39	1.6	-11.8	95	114	-16.6
Minus Exports	(12,929)	(5,561)	(5,149)	8.0	(1,187)	(1,142)	(1,094)	4.0	8.5	(3,233)	(2,908)	11.2
Apparent Consumption	9,450	3,807	4,078	-6.6	776	858	702	-9.5	10.6	2,173	2,435	-10.8



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

	2009					2010					2011												
Region	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY					
Coast	462	569	573	616	670	596	547	534	605	578	575	515	543	612	583	729	599	614					
Inland	278	307	304	343	299	293	311	308	318	328	326	303	328	323	303	382	329	282					
Cal. Redwood	18	24	22	33	42	36	45	42	47	42	51	36	29	18	49	51	41	31					
<b>Total West</b>	<b>758</b>	<b>900</b>	<b>899</b>	<b>991</b>	<b>1,011</b>	<b>925</b>	<b>903</b>	<b>884</b>	<b>970</b>	<b>948</b>	<b>952</b>	<b>854</b>	<b>900</b>	<b>953</b>	<b>935</b>	<b>1,162</b>	<b>970</b>	<b>926</b>					
South	840	936	855	1,007	1,172	999	1,091	1,117	1,061	1,038	1,108	972	998	1,050	1,027	1,207	1,133	1,085					
Other	89	102	98	112	122	107	111	112	113	111	115	102	106	112	109	132	117	112					
<b>Total U.S.</b>	<b>1,687</b>	<b>1,938</b>	<b>1,852</b>	<b>2,110</b>	<b>2,305</b>	<b>2,032</b>	<b>2,105</b>	<b>2,113</b>	<b>2,145</b>	<b>2,097</b>	<b>2,175</b>	<b>1,928</b>	<b>2,003</b>	<b>2,115</b>	<b>2,072</b>	<b>2,501</b>	<b>2,220</b>	<b>2,123</b>					
British Columbia	778	930	913	981	1,032	911	978	1,004	931	954	1,014	963	870	1,022	949	1,046	1,084	1,029					
Prairies & Eastern Canada	654	746	813	1,002	955	932	935	812	912	924	960	952	761	817	866	953	902	860					
<b>Total Canada</b>	<b>1,432</b>	<b>1,677</b>	<b>1,726</b>	<b>1,984</b>	<b>1,987</b>	<b>1,843</b>	<b>1,913</b>	<b>1,816</b>	<b>1,843</b>	<b>1,879</b>	<b>1,974</b>	<b>1,915</b>	<b>1,631</b>	<b>1,839</b>	<b>1,815</b>	<b>1,999</b>	<b>1,986</b>	<b>1,889</b>					
<b>Total North America</b>	<b>3,119</b>	<b>3,615</b>	<b>3,578</b>	<b>4,093</b>	<b>4,292</b>	<b>3,875</b>	<b>4,018</b>	<b>3,928</b>	<b>3,987</b>	<b>3,975</b>	<b>4,149</b>	<b>3,843</b>	<b>3,634</b>	<b>3,953</b>	<b>3,887</b>	<b>4,500</b>	<b>4,206</b>	<b>4,012</b>					

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

	2009					2010					2011												
Region	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY					
Coast	498	546	557	615	661	559	543	559	598	596	559	514	562	595	548	680	618	650					
Inland	265	299	299	347	345	288	293	304	326	316	316	295	314	320	296	371	336	323					
Cal. Redwood	28	24	28	33	41	37	34	45	40	41	40	38	33	36	32	38	38	36					
<b>Total West</b>	<b>791</b>	<b>868</b>	<b>884</b>	<b>994</b>	<b>1,047</b>	<b>884</b>	<b>870</b>	<b>907</b>	<b>964</b>	<b>953</b>	<b>915</b>	<b>847</b>	<b>908</b>	<b>951</b>	<b>876</b>	<b>1,089</b>	<b>992</b>	<b>1,009</b>					
South	840	936	855	1,007	1,172	999	1,091	1,117	1,061	1,038	1,108	972	998	1,050	1,027	1,207	1,133	1,085					
Other	91	101	97	112	124	105	109	113	113	111	113	102	106	112	106	128	119	117					
<b>Total U.S.</b>	<b>1,722</b>	<b>1,905</b>	<b>1,836</b>	<b>2,113</b>	<b>2,342</b>	<b>1,988</b>	<b>2,070</b>	<b>2,137</b>	<b>2,138</b>	<b>2,102</b>	<b>2,135</b>	<b>1,921</b>	<b>2,013</b>	<b>2,113</b>	<b>2,009</b>	<b>2,424</b>	<b>2,243</b>	<b>2,211</b>					
British Columbia	839	931	914	955	1,037	854	996	996	940	963	975	926	895	923	860	1,071	1,086	1,027					
Prairies & Eastern Canada	687	750	752	928	1,010	903	950	902	845	935	915	895	788	779	787	890	879	902					
<b>Total Canada</b>	<b>1,526</b>	<b>1,681</b>	<b>1,665</b>	<b>1,883</b>	<b>2,046</b>	<b>1,757</b>	<b>1,947</b>	<b>1,898</b>	<b>1,785</b>	<b>1,898</b>	<b>1,889</b>	<b>1,821</b>	<b>1,683</b>	<b>1,702</b>	<b>1,647</b>	<b>1,962</b>	<b>1,966</b>	<b>1,929</b>					
<b>Total North America</b>	<b>3,248</b>	<b>3,586</b>	<b>3,502</b>	<b>3,996</b>	<b>4,389</b>	<b>3,744</b>	<b>4,017</b>	<b>4,035</b>	<b>3,923</b>	<b>4,000</b>	<b>4,025</b>	<b>3,741</b>	<b>3,696</b>	<b>3,815</b>	<b>3,656</b>	<b>4,386</b>	<b>4,209</b>	<b>4,140</b>					

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

	2009					2010					2011												
Region	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY					
Coast	486	590	522	643	658	503	565	554	609	608	566	490	590	591	551	695	619	635					
Inland	247	349	271	388	333	267	302	301	337	317	325	302	315	307	313	360	362	321					
Cal. Redwood	44	34	32	28	42	30	32	41	37	40	38	34	31	34	33	37	39	35					
<b>Total West</b>	<b>778</b>	<b>974</b>	<b>825</b>	<b>1,060</b>	<b>1,033</b>	<b>799</b>	<b>899</b>	<b>896</b>	<b>983</b>	<b>966</b>	<b>929</b>	<b>826</b>	<b>936</b>	<b>932</b>	<b>897</b>	<b>1,092</b>	<b>1,020</b>	<b>991</b>					
South	840	936	855	1,007	1,172	999	1,091	1,117	1,061	1,038	1,108	972	998	1,050	1,027	1,207	1,133	1,085					
Other	90	107	94	115	123	100	111	112	114	112	114	100	108	111	107	128	120	116					
<b>Total U.S.</b>	<b>1,708</b>	<b>2,017</b>	<b>1,773</b>	<b>2,182</b>	<b>2,328</b>	<b>1,899</b>	<b>2,101</b>	<b>2,125</b>	<b>2,158</b>	<b>2,115</b>	<b>2,151</b>	<b>1,898</b>	<b>2,042</b>	<b>2,093</b>	<b>2,032</b>	<b>2,427</b>	<b>2,273</b>	<b>2,192</b>					

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

	2009					2010					2011												
Region	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY					
Coast	174	240	205	233	231	175	197	192	203	215	222	202	236	237	241	256	257	243					
Inland	125	175	146	187	175	153	163	161	172	174	184	190	191	180	197	187	213	212					
Cal. Redwood	47	58	62	57	59	52	49	46	43	42	40	36	33	32	32	32	32	31					
<b>Total West</b>	<b>346</b>	<b>472</b>	<b>413</b>	<b>478</b>	<b>464</b>	<b>380</b>	<b>410</b>	<b>398</b>	<b>418</b>	<b>431</b>	<b>445</b>	<b>428</b>	<b>461</b>	<b>449</b>	<b>471</b>	<b>474</b>	<b>503</b>	<b>485</b>					
South	604	563	563	563	563	563	563	563	563	563	563	563	563	669	669	669	669	669					
Other	62	68	64	68	67	63	64	64	65	65	66	65	67	65	67	67	68	69					
<b>Total U.S.</b>	<b>1,012</b>	<b>1,103</b>	<b>1,040</b>	<b>1,109</b>	<b>1,095</b>	<b>1,006</b>	<b>1,037</b>	<b>1,025</b>	<b>1,046</b>	<b>1,059</b>	<b>1,075</b>	<b>1,056</b>	<b>1,090</b>	<b>1,184</b>	<b>1,206</b>	<b>1,210</b>	<b>1,240</b>	<b>1,224</b>					

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

	2009	2010														2011					
Region	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY			
Coast	511	534	551	552	562	599	604	575	582	574	581	581	563	578	613	662	645	606			
Inland	419	427	431	427	381	386	404	405	397	412	420	427	444	443	451	460	456	415			
Cal. Redwood	159	159	153	153	154	154	164	161	168	169	180	179	174	157	174	187	190	185			
Total West	1,089	1,121	1,135	1,132	1,097	1,138	1,172	1,141	1,147	1,156	1,181	1,187	1,181	1,178	1,238	1,308	1,291	1,206			
South	1,610	1,297	1,297	1,297	1,297	1,297	1,297	1,297	1,297	1,297	1,297	1,297	1,297	1,359	1,359	1,359	1,359	1,359			
Other	153	155	155	155	153	156	157	156	157	156	158	159	158	158	162	166	164	160			
Total U.S.	2,852	2,572	2,587	2,584	2,547	2,591	2,626	2,595	2,601	2,610	2,636	2,643	2,636	2,695	2,759	2,833	2,815	2,725			
British Columbia	976	975	974	1,000	995	1,053	1,034	1,042	1,034	1,026	1,065	1,102	1,077	1,136	1,234	1,207	1,231	1,231			
Prairies & Eastern Canada	1,414	1,411	1,472	1,547	1,492	1,522	1,506	1,416	1,482	1,471	1,517	1,574	1,548	1,481	1,610	1,659	1,739	1,727			
Total Canada	2,390	2,386	2,446	2,547	2,488	2,574	2,541	2,459	2,516	2,497	2,582	2,676	2,625	2,617	2,844	2,867	2,970	2,958			
Total North America	5,242	4,958	5,034	5,131	5,035	5,165	5,167	5,053	5,117	5,106	5,218	5,319	5,260	5,313	5,603	5,700	5,785	5,683			