# **Lumber Track**

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

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

		Full Year	8 months YTD						i				
Production		2013	2014	2013	% Chg	Aug-14	<u>Jul-14</u>	Aug-13	M to M %	Y to Y%	2nd Qtr 14	2nd Qtr 13	% Chg
	West	13,488	9,460	9,076	4.2	1,154	1,208	1,179	-4.4	-2.1	3,599	3,390	6.2
	South	15,071	10,615	10,104	5.1	1,346	1,470	1,294	-8.4	4.0	4,092	3,768	8.6
	Other	1,392	978	935	4.7	122	131	121	-6.6	1.1	375	349	7.5
	Total	29,951	21,054	20,115	4.7	2,622	2,808	2,594	-6.6	1.1	8,066	7,507	7.5
Shipments													
	West	13,477	9,515	9,085	4.7	1,208	1,268	1,213	-4.7	-0.4	3,688	3,360	9.8
	South	15,071	10,615	10,104	5.1	1,346	1,470	1,294	-8.4	4.0	4,092	3,768	8.6
	Other	1,391	981	935	4.9	125	133	122	-6.7	1.9	379	347	9.2
	Total	29,940	21,111	20,125	4.9	2,679	2,872	2,629	-6.7	1.9	8,160	7,475	9.2
New Orders	<b>5</b>									•			
	West	13,509	9,501	9,074	4.7	1,204	1,251	1,196	-3.8	0.6	3,678	3,383	8.7
	South	15,071	10,615	10,104	5.1	1,346	1,470	1,294	-8.4	4.0	4,092	3,768	8.6
	Other	1,393	980	935	4.9	124	133	121	-6.3	2.4	379	349	8.7
	Total	29,973	21,096	20,112	4.9	2,674	2,854	2,612	-6.3	2.4	8,149	7,499	8.7

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<b>Unfilled Orders</b>		<u>Aug-14</u>	Aug-13	
West	534	517	483	7.1
South	714	714	714	0.0
Other	73	71	70	0.7
Total	1,321	1,302	1,268	2.7
Inventories		<u>Aug-14</u>	<u>Aug-13</u>	
West	1,241	1,190	1,215	-2.1
South	1,572	1,572	1,572	0.0
Other	161	158	160	-1.0
Total	2 97/	2 020	2 0/17	-n a



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)

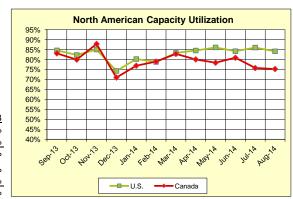
	Full Year	8 months	s YTD									
Production	2013	<u>2014</u>	2013	% Chg	Aug-14	<u>Jul-14</u>	Aug-13	M to M %	Y to Y %	2nd Qtr 14	2nd Qtr 13	% Chg
British Columbia	12,742	8,529	8,660	-1.5	1,011	1,077	1,017	-6.1	-0.6	3,246	3,352	-3.2
East of the Rockies	11,704	7,925	7,804	1.5	934	975	924	-4.1	1.1	3,041	3,067	-0.8
Total	24,446	16,454	16,464	-0.1	1,946	2,052	1,941	-5.2	0.2	6,287	6,419	-2.1
Shipments	_											
British Columbia	12,432	8,272	8,462	-2.2	1,043	1,099	991	-5.0	5.3	3,446	3,315	3.9
East of the Rockies	10,848	7,643	7,259	5.3	978	1,054	932	-7.2	4.9	2,985	2,792	6.9
Total	23,280	15,915	15,721	1.2	2,021	2,153	1,923	-6.1	5.1	6,431	6,108	5.3

Inventories		<u>Aug-14</u>	Aug-13	
British Columbia	1,074	1,291	1,005	28.5
East of the Rockies	1,618	1,508	1,550	-2.7
Total	2.692	2.799	2.555	9.6

Source: Statistics Canada, Council of Forest Industries-CAN

#### **Production as Percent of Practical Capacity**

	Full Year	8 month	s YTD			
	2013	2014	2013	Aug-14	<u>Jul-14</u>	Aug-13
West	77%	81%	76%	80%	79%	78%
South_	84%	87%	83%	89%	93%	83%
Total U.S.	80%	83%	79%	84%	86%	80%
British Columbia	80%	80%	80%	76%	78%	73%
East of the Rockies	79%	78%	78%	74%	74%	72%
Total Canada	79%	79%	79%	75%	76%	73%



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

### **Trade Statistics**

Minus Exports Apparent Consumption

4,889

5,142

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

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	2013	2014	2013	% Chg	Aug-14	<u>Jul-14</u>	Aug-13	M to M %	Y to Y%	2nd Otr 14	2nd Qtr 13	% Chg
From British Columbia	5,915	4,084	4,056	0.7	518	560	437	-7.5	18.5	1,697	1,597	6.3
East of the Rockies	4,999	3,893	3,219	20.9	483	515	430	-6.3	12.4	1,541	1,299	18.6
Total Canadian Imports	10,915	7,978	7,275	9.7	1,001	1,075	867	-6.9	15.4	3,238	2,895	11.8
From Latin America	193	164	131	24.6	21	18	13	16.6	58.0	74	37	102.1
From Europe Total Non-Canadian	146 442	99 326	114 312	-13.2 4.4	6 35	12 40	4 25	-54.0 -12.0	45.5 37.8	50 147	54 121	-7.5 21.8
Total Lumber Imports	11,357	8,303	7,587	9.4	1,036	1,115	892	-12.0 -7.1	16.1	3,385	3,016	12.2
U. S. Softwood			,	•		, -				-,	-,-	
0. 0. 00mm00a	Full Year		nths YTD	boara ic	•							
	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	% Chg	<u>Aug-14</u>	<u>Jul-14</u>	<u>Aug-13</u>	M to M %			2nd Qtr 13	% Chg
To Canada	383	256	264	-2.7	32	30	30	5.0	5.2	100	101	-0.4
To China	396	262	216	21.1	21	29	37	-27.1	-44.0	89	68	29.8
To Japan	181	96	121	-21.1	11	11	16	4.9	-31.7	36	48	-25.4
To Mexico To Other Countries	288 546	188 413	188 362	0.0 13.9	26 51	25 50	25 45	6.9 2.3	6.7 15.0	70 162	79 150	-10.4 8.6
Total Lumber Exports	1,793	1,214	1,151	5.5	142	144	153	-2.0	-7.6	458	446	2.8
U. S. Softwood				•								
From Canada	120	52	86	-40.1	8	9	8	-18.8	-6.3	19	35	-46.3
Non-Canadian Sources	0	0	0	-71.5	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Total Log Imports	120	52	87	-40.2	8	9	8	-18.9	-6.3	19	35	-46.6
U. S. Softwood	l og Exn	orts (mill	ion boa	rd feet)								
To China	1,286	916	854	7.3	94	91	131	4.0	-28.0	410	361	13.5
To Japan	523	313	345	-9.2	39	38	46	3.3	-14.6	103	129	-20.2
To Canada	495	297	342	-12.9	30	32	37	-7.6	-18.7	68	89	-23.3
To Other Countries _	242	171	183	-6.6	9	21	20	-58.8	-55.8	83	80	4.6
Total Log Exports	2,546	1,697	1,723	-1.5	172	182	234	-5.5	-26.3	664	658	0.9
Source: U.S. Department of Com	merce, U.S. Int	ernational Trade	Commission, F	oreign Agricultu	ıral Service							
Canadian Softw	ood Lun	nber Exp	orts (mil	llion boa	rd feet)							
To U.S.	10,915	7,978	7,275	9.7	1,001	1,075	867	-6.9	15.4	3,238	2,895	11.8
To China	3,374	2,151	2,127	1.1	305	303	331	0.8	-7.6	943	711	32.6
To Japan	1,239	627	817	-23.2	74	61	100	19.8	-26.8	304	338	-9.9
Other_	909	547	644	-15.1	62	74	67	-16.3	-6.7	260	232	12.2
Total Lumber Exports	16,437	11,303	10,863	4.0	1,442	1,514	1,365	-4.7	5.7	4,745	4,176	13.6
Source: Statistics Canada, Counc	cil of Forest Ind	ustries-CAN										
U.S. Softwood Lu	mber Co	nsumpti	on (milli	on board	d feet)							
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	2013	2014	2013	% Cha	Aug-14	<u>Jul-14</u>	Aug-13	M to M %	Y to Y%	2nd Qtr 14	2nd Qtr 13	% Chq
Lumber Shipments	29,940	21,111	20,125	4.9	2,679	2,872	2,629	-6.7	1.9	8,160	7,475	9.2
Plus Imports	11,357	8,303	7,587	9.4	1,036	1,115	892	-7.1	16.1	3,385	3,016	12.2
Minus Exports _	(1,793)	(1,214)	(1,151)	5.5	(142)	(144)	(153)	-2.0	-7.6	(458)	(446)	2.8
Apparent Consumption	39,503	28,200	26,560	6.2	3,573	3,842	3,368	-7.0	6.1	11,086	10,045	10.4
Canadian Softwo	od Lumb	er Consi	umption	(million	board fe	eet)						
	Full Year		nths YTD			,						
	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	2013	% Chg	Aug-14	<u>Jul-14</u>	<u>Aug-13</u>	M to M %			2nd Qtr 13	% Chg
Lumber Shipments	23,280	15,915	15,721	1.2	2,021	2,153	1,923	-6.1	5.1	6,431	6,108	5.3
Plus Imports	414	277	285	-2.7	(4.442)	33	33	5.0	5.2	108	109	-0.4
Minus Exports _	(16,437)	(11,303)	(10,863)	4.0	(1,442)	(1,514)	(1,365)	-4.7	5.7	(4,745)	(4,176)	13.6

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**Total North America** 

5,926

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Western Wood Products Association - North American Activity and Consumption Update 1500 SW First Avenue, Suite 870, Portland, OR 97201 503-224-3930 August 2014 Issued: November 7, 2014 **Estimated North American Production (million board feet)** 2014 2013 AUG SEP OCT NOV DEC **FEB** MAR APR MAY JUN JUL <u>AUG</u> Region MAR JUN JUL JAN Coast 713 758 741 614 665 719 678 773 659 575 720 658 742 779 761 743 746 705 389 377 395 417 374 386 398 427 417 Inland 398 398 396 446 356 442 428 425 399 Cal. Redwood 42 38 36 39 38 42 41 43 32 38 42 39 42 30 31 34 35 32 1,153 1,175 1,098 1,262 970 1,190 1,175 1,154 **Total West** 1.184 1.031 1.179 1.115 1.065 1.204 1.083 1.212 1.235 1.208 1,346 1,271 1,268 1.393 1,368 1.470 South 1,202 1.229 1,319 1.294 1,258 1,201 1.115 1,295 1.148 1.264 1,397 1.327 Other 115 120 119 110 118 121 116 129 110 102 122 109 121 128 125 122 131 122 Total U.S. 2,470 2,575 2,562 2,370 2,535 2,594 2,489 2,784 2,377 2,186 2.620 2,339 2,597 2,760 2,683 2,624 2,808 2,622 British Columbia 1,057 1,167 1,116 1,069 1,082 1,017 1,020 1,127 1,014 921 1,106 991 1,098 1,113 1,023 1,111 1,077 1,011 Prairies & Eastern Canada 1,035 1,071 1,022 974 862 924 993 1,100 1,007 799 978 954 1,043 1,056 1,004 981 975 934 2.043 2,083 2,169 2,027 2,091 2,052 1,946 **Total Canada** 2,092 1.944 1.941 2,013 2,228 2,021 1,720 1.945 2.141 **Total North America** 4,562 4,814 4,700 4.413 4,479 4,535 4,502 5,012 4.398 3,906 4,704 4,284 4.738 4,929 4,710 4.715 4,860 4,568 Estimated North American Shipments (million board feet) 2014 Region MAR <u>APR</u> JUN JUL **AUG** SEP OCT NOV DEC JAN FEB MAR **APR** MAY JUN JUL **AUG** MAY Coast 722 735 724 632 691 743 688 769 654 599 710 630 707 776 765 753 795 747 417 Inland 392 385 378 373 406 429 399 436 339 371 426 410 428 Cal. Redwood 40 44 44 44 44 41 36 44 36 34 40 40 34 37 37 44 45 43 **Total West** 1 154 1.164 1.147 1 048 1.142 1.213 1.123 1.249 1.049 971 1.174 1.041 1.134 1.253 1,228 1.207 1,268 1,208 1,346 South 1,202 1,271 1,268 1,229 1,319 1,294 1,258 1,393 1,201 1,115 1,295 1,148 1,264 1,397 1,368 1,327 1,470 Other 115 119 118 120 122 116 129 102 120 107 129 127 133 125 111 110 117 124 Total U.S. 2,470 2.554 2.533 2.388 2,581 2,629 2.497 2,770 2,360 2,188 2.590 2,296 2.515 2,779 2,723 2,657 2,872 2,679 British Columbia 1.039 1.152 1.079 1.084 1.131 991 1.021 1.079 981 890 960 829 896 1.076 1.142 1.228 1.099 1.043 Prairies & Eastern Canada 855 938 949 906 1,014 932 944 998 918 729 885 834 906 972 985 1,029 1,054 978 **Total Canada** 2,145 1,898 1,845 2,048 2,127 2,256 2,153 2,021 1.894 2.090 2.028 1.990 1.923 1.965 2.077 1.619 1.663 1.802 **Total North America** 4.364 4.644 4.561 4,378 4,726 4.552 4.462 4.848 4.258 3,806 4.435 3.958 4.317 4.827 4.849 4.914 5.024 4,700 Estimated U.S. Orders (million board feet) 2013 2014 Region MAR MAY JUN <u>AUG</u> SEP OCT NOV **DEC** JAN **FEB** MAR **APR** MAY **AUG** APR JUL JUN <u>JUL</u> 742 724 741 774 645 709 781 768 782 741 Coast 739 630 674 686 652 611 710 739 Inland 383 373 381 400 413 419 400 437 361 355 422 377 385 452 399 403 430 428 Cal. Redwood 39 47 45 41 41 39 42 37 43 45 31 40 47 39 35 1,162 1,150 1,071 1,128 1,254 1,054 1,003 1,175 1,068 1,273 1,186 1,218 1,251 1,204 **Total West** 1.160 1.196 1.124 1.124 1,202 1,271 1,268 1,229 1,319 1,294 1,258 1,393 1,201 1,115 1,295 1.148 1,264 1,397 1.368 1.327 1.470 1,346 Other 115 119 118 112 119 121 116 129 110 103 120 108 116 130 125 124 133 124 Total U.S. 2 412 2 566 2 612 2,498 2,776 2.365 2,221 2,591 2 324 2 505 2 800 2.679 2.670 2.854 2,674 Estimated U.S. Unfilled Orders (million board feet) 2013 2014 Region MAR JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT NOV DEC JAN FEB MAR APR MAY JUN <u>AUG</u> Coast 261 269 266 264 246 244 242 247 245 261 259 274 276 281 255 270 257 251 197 185 188 215 221 210 211 216 219 236 232 238 229 242 216 209 211 222 Inland Cal. Redwood 37 40 40 38 34 29 31 29 34 37 40 46 43 46 56 60 54 45 **Total West** 495 494 493 516 502 483 484 493 498 534 531 559 548 568 527 539 522 517 714 714 714 714 714 714 714 714 714 714 714 714 714 714 714 714 714 714 South Other 70 71 73 73 73 72 71 Total U.S. 1,280 1,279 1,278 1,302 1,287 1,268 1,269 1,277 1,283 1,321 1,318 1,347 1,336 1,356 1.312 1,325 1,307 1,302 Estimated North American Inventories (million board feet) 2013 2014 Region <u>JUL</u> <u>AUG</u> SEP OCT NOV **DEC FEB** MAR **APR** MAY JUN <u>JUL</u> <u>AUG</u> MAR <u>APR</u> MAY JUN JAN Coast 614 637 651 632 605 582 572 575 579 556 592 628 630 626 616 567 525 564 486 476 473 485 519 533 533 Inland 459 461 489 498 501 536 551 585 570 543 536 132 Cal Redwood 181 174 166 162 156 158 163 162 162 166 169 168 176 169 163 153 144 **Total West** 1.254 1.272 1.306 1.291 1,248 1.208 1.223 1.242 1.241 1.269 1.311 1.389 1.370 1.332 1.306 1,244 1,190 1.572 1.572 1.572 1.572 1.572 1.572 South 1.572 1.572 1.572 1.572 1.572 1.572 1.572 1.572 1.572 1.572 1.572 1.572 Other 162 163 164 163 161 160 159 160 161 161 162 164 168 167 165 163 161 158 Total U.S. 2 988 3,006 3,043 3,027 2,981 2,947 2,939 2,955 2,975 2,974 3,003 3,047 3,129 3,109 3,069 3,041 2,977 2,920 1,074 1,345 1,324 1,291 British Columbia 1,117 1,112 1,122 1,061 1,009 1,005 992 1,024 1,043 1,205 1,347 1,526 1,561 1,423 1.753 1.807 1.819 1,623 1.550 1.534 1.581 1,593 1,618 1,724 1.821 1,826 1.796 1.574 1,508 Prairies & Eastern Canada 1.824 1.673 1.705 **Total Canada** 2.869 2.919 2,945 2,880 2,632 2,555 2,526 2.605 2,636 2,692 2.878 3,071 3,347 3,387 3,219 3,049 2,898 2,799

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