



# Lumber Track

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

		Full Year	4 months YTD										
		2020	2021	2020	% Chg								
Production	West	14,325	5,084	4,645	9.4	1,315	1,364	1,046	-3.6	25.7	3,768	3,599	4.7
	South	20,793	6,956	6,873	1.2	1,892	1,820	1,732	4.0	9.2	5,064	5,141	-1.5
	Other	1,615	553	530	4.4	147	146	128	0.7	15.4	406	402	0.9
	Total	36,733	12,593	12,048	4.5	3,355	3,331	2,906	0.7	15.4	9,238	9,142	1.1

## Shipments

West	14,518	4,981	4,720	5.5	1,323	1,353	1,104	-2.2	19.8	3,658	3,616	1.2
South	20,793	6,956	6,873	1.2	1,892	1,820	1,732	4.0	9.2	5,064	5,141	-1.5
Other	1,624	549	533	2.9	148	146	130	1.3	13.3	401	403	-0.4
Total	36,935	12,486	12,126	3.0	3,362	3,318	2,967	1.3	13.3	9,123	9,159	-0.4

## New Orders

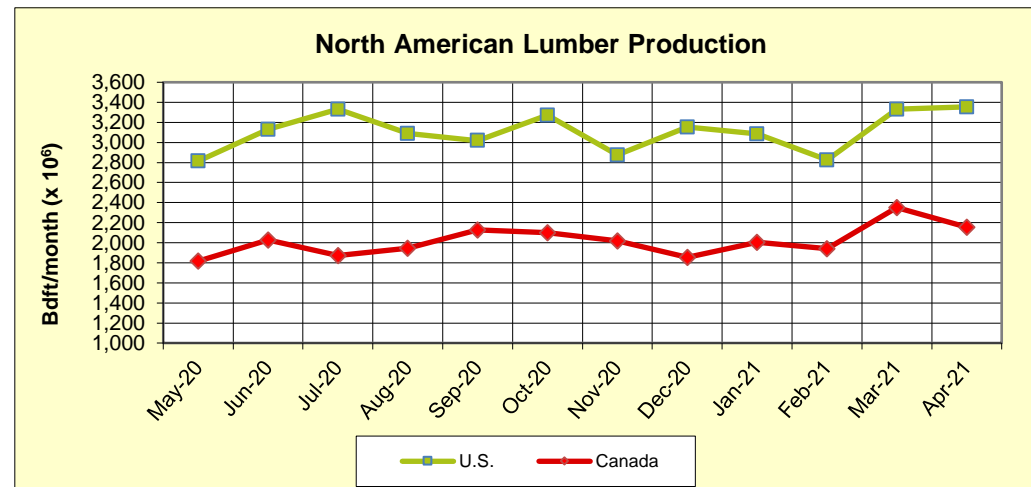
West	14,514	4,997	4,714	6.0	1,311	1,374	1,113	-4.6	17.7	3,687	3,600	2.4
South	20,793	6,956	6,873	1.2	1,892	1,820	1,732	4.0	9.2	5,064	5,141	-1.5
Other	1,624	549	533	3.1	147	147	131	0.3	12.6	402	402	0.0
Total	36,931	12,502	12,120	3.2	3,350	3,341	2,976	0.3	12.6	9,152	9,143	0.1

## Unfilled Orders

		Apr-21	Apr-20	
West	482	499	479	4.0
South	646	646	646	0.0
Other	69	70	69	0.6
Total	1,198	1,214	1,195	1.6

## Inventories

		Apr-21	Apr-20	
West	1,060	1,163	1,178	-1.3
South	1,697	1,697	1,697	0.0
Other	152	156	158	-0.9
Total	2,909	3,016	3,032	-0.5



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										
		2020	2021	2020	% Chg								
Production	British Columbia	8,921	3,355	2,689	24.8	881	918	436	-4.0	102.1	2,474	2,253	9.8
	East of the Rockies	14,135	5,095	4,606	10.6	1,275	1,432	1,016	-11.0	25.5	3,820	3,591	6.4
	Total	23,055	8,450	7,295	15.8	2,156	2,351	1,452	-8.3	48.5	6,294	5,843	7.7

## Shipments

British Columbia	9,030	3,394	2,893	17.3	939	909	723	3.2	29.9	2,456	2,170	13.1
East of the Rockies	13,687	4,749	4,325	9.8	1,288	1,270	1,045	1.4	23.2	3,461	3,280	5.5
Total	22,717	8,143	7,218	12.8	2,226	2,179	1,768	2.2	25.9	5,917	5,450	8.6

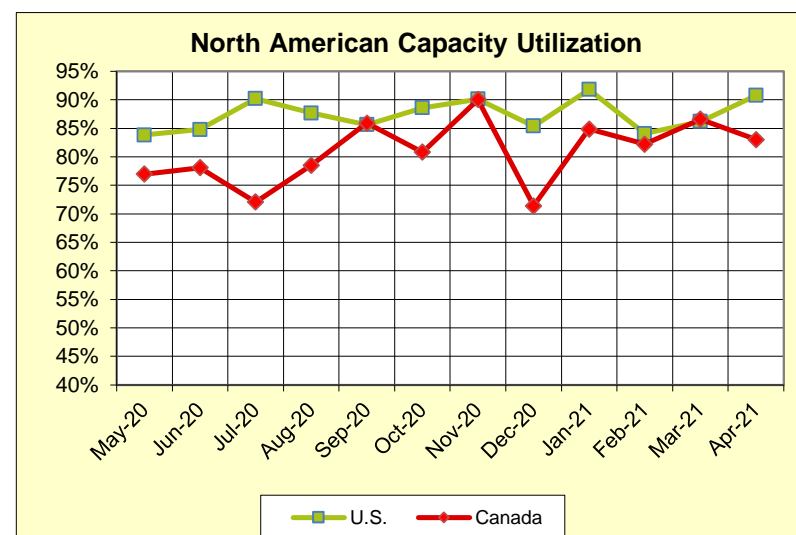
## Inventories

		Apr-21	Apr-20	
British Columbia	997	1,013	867	16.8
East of the Rockies	1,726	1,925	1,925	0.0
Total	2,723	2,938	2,792	5.2

Source: Statistics Canada, Council of Forest Industries-CAN

## Production as Percent of Practical Capacity

	Full Year	4 months YTD				
	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>Apr-21</u>	<u>Mar-21</u>	<u>Apr-20</u>
West	82%	87%	79%	87%	86%	69%
South	89%	90%	88%	94%	87%	86%
Total U.S.	86%	88%	83%	91%	86%	79%
British Columbia	69%	77%	61%	79%	78%	39%
East of the Rockies	83%	89%	80%	86%	93%	69%
Total Canada	77%	84%	72%	83%	87%	56%



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

Trade Statistics

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

	Full Year	4 months YTD										
	2020	2021	2020	% Chg								
From British Columbia <sup>1</sup>	5,588	2,157	1,626	32.7	590	567	417	4.0	41.3	1,567	1,208	29.7
East of the Rockies <sup>1</sup>	7,534	2,464	2,452	0.5	656	670	616	-2.0	6.6	1,808	1,836	-1.5
Total Canadian Imports <sup>1</sup>	13,122	4,622	4,078	13.3	1,246	1,237	1,033	0.7	20.6	3,375	3,045	10.9
From Canada <sup>2</sup>	13,108	4,617	4,072	13.4	1,245	1,237	1,032	0.7	20.6	3,372	3,041	10.9
From Latin America <sup>2</sup>	480	141	125	13.3	38	38	33	0.5	14.3	104	92	13.0
From Europe <sup>2</sup>	1,421	553	420	31.9	169	167	124	1.0	36.2	385	296	30.1
Total Non-Canadian <sup>2</sup>	2,106	755	605	24.7	223	221	172	0.9	29.9	531	429	23.9
Total Lumber Imports <sup>2</sup>	15,214	5,371	4,677	14.8	1,468	1,458	1,204	0.7	22.0	3,903	3,474	12.4

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	4 months YTD										
	2020	2021	2020	% Chg								
To Canada	284	130	93	39.7	39	37	25	5.3	52.4	92	68	34.9
To China	98	18	37	-50.7	5	4	13	11.0	-64.7	14	24	-43.3
To Japan	70	16	27	-40.4	4	4	7	23.4	-41.0	12	20	-40.2
To Mexico	247	85	82	3.7	25	23	11	9.7	124.4	60	71	-15.1
To Other Countries	418	155	157	-1.3	45	36	24	24.2	92.2	110	134	-17.8
Total Lumber Exports	1,117	405	397	2.0	118	103	80	13.7	46.5	288	317	-9.3

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

From Canada	56	33	17	96.6	9	11	1	-15.0	615.9	24	16	52.5
Non-Canadian Sources	23	13	10	31.1	4	3	4	56.1	18.2	8	6	38.9
Total Log Imports	79	46	27	72.8	14	14	5	-0.9	177.6	32	22	48.7

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

To China	622	230	94	143.7	69	58	38	19.2	82.4	162	57	184.2
To Japan	353	118	138	-14.4	25	31	27	-20.7	-8.5	93	111	-15.9
To Canada	126	51	48	5.9	7	19	3	-61.0	114.1	44	45	-2.5
To Other Countries	125	46	34	37.9	8	15	8	-45.4	3.4	38	26	48.2
Total Log Exports	1,226	445	314	41.8	109	123	76	-11.3	43.3	337	238	41.3

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	4,622	4,078	13.3	1,246	1,237	1,033	0.7	20.6	3,375	3,045	10.9
To China	1,240	204	422	-51.7	27	70	146	-61.0	-81.2	176	276	-36.2
To Japan	581	177	198	-10.6	38	51	60	-25.7	-37.2	139	138	1.1
Other	493	211	174	21.6	54	65	49	-17.0	10.5	157	125	25.9
Total Lumber Exports	15,437	5,213	4,871	7.0	1,365	1,423	1,288	-4.1	6.0	3,848	3,584	7.4

Sources: Statistics Canada, Council of Forest Industries-CAN

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

	Full Year	4 months YTD										
	2020	2021	2020	% Chg								
Lumber Shipments	36,935	12,486	12,126	3.0	3,362	3,318	2,967	1.3	13.3	9,123	9,159	-0.4
Plus Imports	15,214	5,371	4,677	14.8	1,468	1,458	1,204	0.7	22.0	3,903	3,474	12.4
Minus Exports	(1,117)	(405)	(397)	2.0	(118)	(103)	(80)	13.7	46.5	(288)	(317)	-9.3
Apparent Consumption	51,032	17,452	16,406	6.4	4,713	4,673	4,090	0.9	15.2	12,739	12,316	3.4

Canadian Softwood Lumber Consumption (million board feet)

	Full Year	4 months YTD										
	2020	2021	2020	% Chg								
Lumber Shipments	22,717	8,143	7,218	12.8	2,226	2,179	1,768	2.2	25.9	5,917	5,450	8.6
Plus Imports	306	141	101	39.7	42	40	27	5.3	52.4	99	73	34.9
Minus Exports	(15,437)	(5,213)	(4,871)	7.0	(1,365)	(1,423)	(1,288)	-4.1	6.0	(3,848)	(3,584)	7.4
Apparent Consumption	7,586	3,070	2,447	25.5	903	795	507	13.5	77.9	2,168	1,940	11.8



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

	2019		2020												2021			
Region	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR
Coast	673	697	752	709	759	658	669	780	786	750	717	787	696	755	742	731	828	816
Inland	368	379	441	384	409	360	370	422	437	426	425	441	369	405	410	404	469	433
Cal. Coast	49	50	47	51	45	28	46	62	67	52	54	61	52	52	56	62	66	66
<b>Total West</b>	<b>1,089</b>	<b>1,126</b>	<b>1,241</b>	<b>1,144</b>	<b>1,214</b>	<b>1,046</b>	<b>1,085</b>	<b>1,264</b>	<b>1,289</b>	<b>1,227</b>	<b>1,196</b>	<b>1,288</b>	<b>1,117</b>	<b>1,213</b>	<b>1,208</b>	<b>1,197</b>	<b>1,364</b>	<b>1,315</b>
South	1,432	1,446	1,847	1,635	1,659	1,732	1,605	1,729	1,896	1,727	1,690	1,840	1,631	1,802	1,741	1,503	1,820	1,892
Other	116	118	142	128	132	128	124	137	146	136	133	144	126	139	135	124	146	147
<b>Total U.S.</b>	<b>2,637</b>	<b>2,690</b>	<b>3,230</b>	<b>2,907</b>	<b>3,005</b>	<b>2,906</b>	<b>2,814</b>	<b>3,131</b>	<b>3,332</b>	<b>3,090</b>	<b>3,019</b>	<b>3,272</b>	<b>2,874</b>	<b>3,153</b>	<b>3,084</b>	<b>2,824</b>	<b>3,331</b>	<b>3,355</b>
British Columbia	709	623	699	762	792	436	677	788	777	800	845	836	760	748	819	737	918	881
Prairies & Eastern Canada	1,197	1,032	1,127	1,178	1,286	1,016	1,140	1,239	1,094	1,146	1,284	1,263	1,259	1,105	1,184	1,203	1,432	1,275
<b>Total Canada</b>	<b>1,906</b>	<b>1,655</b>	<b>1,826</b>	<b>1,940</b>	<b>2,078</b>	<b>1,452</b>	<b>1,816</b>	<b>2,027</b>	<b>1,871</b>	<b>1,946</b>	<b>2,129</b>	<b>2,099</b>	<b>2,019</b>	<b>1,853</b>	<b>2,003</b>	<b>1,940</b>	<b>2,351</b>	<b>2,156</b>
<b>Total North America</b>	<b>4,543</b>	<b>4,345</b>	<b>5,056</b>	<b>4,847</b>	<b>5,083</b>	<b>4,358</b>	<b>4,630</b>	<b>5,158</b>	<b>5,203</b>	<b>5,036</b>	<b>5,148</b>	<b>5,371</b>	<b>4,893</b>	<b>5,006</b>	<b>5,087</b>	<b>4,764</b>	<b>5,681</b>	<b>5,510</b>

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

	2019		2020												2021			
Region	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR
Coast	664	669	754	709	755	678	691	789	809	743	733	760	692	763	721	692	817	818
Inland	362	362	434	399	407	375	388	440	467	444	427	420	358	392	392	389	469	443
Cal. Coast	50	49	53	51	54	51	51	70	72	64	57	59	53	54	51	62	66	61
<b>Total West</b>	<b>1,075</b>	<b>1,080</b>	<b>1,241</b>	<b>1,159</b>	<b>1,215</b>	<b>1,104</b>	<b>1,130</b>	<b>1,300</b>	<b>1,348</b>	<b>1,252</b>	<b>1,217</b>	<b>1,239</b>	<b>1,103</b>	<b>1,210</b>	<b>1,164</b>	<b>1,142</b>	<b>1,353</b>	<b>1,323</b>
South	1,432	1,446	1,847	1,635	1,659	1,732	1,605	1,729	1,896	1,727	1,690	1,840	1,631	1,802	1,741	1,503	1,820	1,892
Other	115	116	142	128	132	130	126	139	149	137	134	142	126	138	133	122	146	148
<b>Total U.S.</b>	<b>2,622</b>	<b>2,643</b>	<b>3,230</b>	<b>2,923</b>	<b>3,007</b>	<b>2,967</b>	<b>2,861</b>	<b>3,168</b>	<b>3,393</b>	<b>3,116</b>	<b>3,041</b>	<b>3,220</b>	<b>2,860</b>	<b>3,150</b>	<b>3,038</b>	<b>2,767</b>	<b>3,318</b>	<b>3,362</b>
British Columbia	682	677	662	698	810	723	564	711	770	796	842	872	797	785	829	717	909	939
Prairies & Eastern Canada	1,068	1,002	1,133	1,019	1,127	1,045	1,145	1,271	1,137	1,123	1,198	1,173	1,229	1,087	1,095	1,097	1,270	1,288
<b>Total Canada</b>	<b>1,749</b>	<b>1,679</b>	<b>1,794</b>	<b>1,718</b>	<b>1,938</b>	<b>1,768</b>	<b>1,709</b>	<b>1,982</b>	<b>1,907</b>	<b>1,919</b>	<b>2,040</b>	<b>2,045</b>	<b>2,025</b>	<b>1,871</b>	<b>1,924</b>	<b>1,814</b>	<b>2,179</b>	<b>2,226</b>
<b>Total North America</b>	<b>4,372</b>	<b>4,321</b>	<b>5,025</b>	<b>4,640</b>	<b>4,944</b>	<b>4,735</b>	<b>4,570</b>	<b>5,150</b>	<b>5,301</b>	<b>5,035</b>	<b>5,081</b>	<b>5,265</b>	<b>4,885</b>	<b>5,021</b>	<b>4,962</b>	<b>4,581</b>	<b>5,497</b>	<b>5,589</b>

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

	2019		2020												2021			
Region	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR
Coast	673	673	762	694	769	676	669	782	816	747	729	763	713	750	723	689	825	811
Inland	353	383	449	378	389	385	406	427	444	458	410	410	359	438	396	390	483	438
Cal. Coast	49	49	53	52	55	53	51	71	72	63	57	59	53	54	51	62	66	61
<b>Total West</b>	<b>1,075</b>	<b>1,105</b>	<b>1,265</b>	<b>1,123</b>	<b>1,213</b>	<b>1,113</b>	<b>1,125</b>	<b>1,280</b>	<b>1,333</b>	<b>1,269</b>	<b>1,196</b>	<b>1,232</b>	<b>1,124</b>	<b>1,242</b>	<b>1,171</b>	<b>1,142</b>	<b>1,374</b>	<b>1,311</b>
South	1,432	1,446	1,847	1,635	1,659	1,732	1,605	1,729	1,896	1,727	1,690	1,840	1,631	1,802	1,741	1,503	1,820	1,892
Other	115	117	143	127	132	131	126	138	148	138	133	141	127	140	133	122	147	147
<b>Total U.S.</b>	<b>2,622</b>	<b>2,668</b>	<b>3,255</b>	<b>2,885</b>	<b>3,004</b>	<b>2,976</b>	<b>2,856</b>	<b>3,147</b>	<b>3,378</b>	<b>3,133</b>	<b>3,018</b>	<b>3,213</b>	<b>2,882</b>	<b>3,184</b>	<b>3,045</b>	<b>2,767</b>	<b>3,341</b>	<b>3,350</b>

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

	2019		2020												2021			
Region	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR
Coast	233	236	246	230	244	243	221	213	221	225	221	224	244	232	234	231	239	232
Inland	188	209	233	212	194	204	221	208	186	199	182	172	172	218	223	225	239	234
Cal. Coast	31	31	31	31	32	33	33	33	34	33	33	33	33	32	33	33	33	33
<b>Total West</b>	<b>452</b>	<b>476</b>	<b>509</b>	<b>473</b>	<b>470</b>	<b>479</b>	<b>475</b>	<b>455</b>	<b>440</b>	<b>457</b>	<b>435</b>	<b>428</b>	<b>449</b>	<b>482</b>	<b>489</b>	<b>489</b>	<b>511</b>	<b>499</b>
South	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	646
Other	68	70	71	69	69	69	69	68	67	68	67	67	68	69	69	69	70	70
<b>Total U.S.</b>	<b>1,166</b>	<b>1,192</b>	<b>1,226</b>	<b>1,188</b>	<b>1,185</b>	<b>1,195</b>	<b>1,190</b>	<b>1,169</b>	<b>1,153</b>	<b>1,171</b>	<b>1,148</b>	<b>1,141</b>	<b>1,163</b>	<b>1,198</b>	<b>1,205</b>	<b>1,204</b>	<b>1,227</b>	<b>1,214</b>

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

	2019		2020												2021			
Region	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR
Coast	550	578	577	578	582	562	540	531	508	514	499	525	529	521	542	581	592	589
Inland	531	548	558	543	546	530	513	495	464	446	444	465	475	488	507	522	523	513
Cal. Coast	122	123	117	117	108	85	80	72	66	54	50	53	53	51	56	55	55	61
<b>Total West</b>	<b>1,204</b>	<b>1,249</b>	<b>1,252</b>	<b>1,238</b>	<b>1,236</b>	<b>1,178</b>	<b>1,133</b>	<b>1,097</b>	<b>1,038</b>	<b>1,014</b>	<b>993</b>	<b>1,043</b>	<b>1,057</b>	<b>1,060</b>	<b>1,104</b>	<b>1,158</b>	<b>1,170</b>	<b>1,163</b>
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	159	161	161	160	160	158	155	154	151	150	149	151	152	152	154	156	157	156
<b>Total U.S.</b>	<b>3,059</b>	<b>3,107</b>	<b>3,110</b>	<b>3,095</b>	<b>3,093</b>	<b>3,032</b>	<b>2,985</b>	<b>2,948</b>	<b>2,886</b>	<b>2,861</b>	<b>2,839</b>	<b>2,891</b>	<b>2,905</b>	<b>2,909</b>	<b>2,954</b>	<b>3,012</b>	<b>3,024</b>	<b>3,016</b>
British Columbia	1,050	1,002	1,036	1,102	1,123	867	1,007	1,089	1,126	1,120	1,107	1,070	1,027	997	997	1,039	1,057	1,013
Prairies & Eastern Canada	1,860	1,866	1,785	1,897	2,013	1,925	1,909	1,836	1,719	1,681	1,714	1,736	1,736	1,726	1,751	1,866	1,970	1,925
<b>Total Canada</b>	<b>2,910</b>	<b>2,868</b>	<b>2,821</b>	<b>2,999</b>	<b>3,136</b>	<b>2,792</b>	<b>2,916</b>	<b>2,924</b>	<b>2,845</b>	<b>2,801</b>	<b>2,821</b>	<b>2,806</b>	<b>2,762</b>	<b>2,723</b>	<b>2,749</b>	<b>2,905</b>	<b>3,027</b>	<b>2,938</b>
<b>Total North America</b>	<b>5,969</b>	<b>5,975</b>	<b>5,931</b>	<b>6,094</b>	<b>6,229</b>	<b>5,824</b>	<b>5,901</b>	<b>5,872</b>	<b>5,731</b>	<b>5,662</b>	<b>5,660</b>	<b>5,697</b>	<b>5,668</b>	<b>5,632</b>	<b>5,703</b>	<b>5,917</b>	<b>6,051</b>	<b>5,954</b>