# Lumber Track

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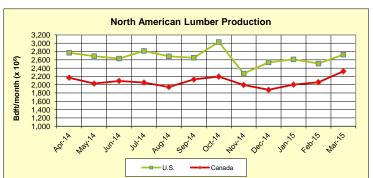
WWPA'S MONTHLY REVIEW OF NORTH AMERICAN LUMBER STATISTICS, INCLUDING TRADE HIGHLIGHTS AND KEY MARKETS

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

		Full Year	3 months	s YTD						i			
Production		2014	2015	2014	% Chg	Mar-15	Feb-15	Mar-14	M to M %	Y to Y%	1st Qtr 15	1st Qtr 14	% Chg
	West	14,067	3,550	3,499	1.5	1,255	1,138	1,212	10.3	3.5	3,550	3,499	1.5
	South	16,111	3,930	3,721	5.6	1,343	1,254	1,270	7.1	5.7	3,930	3,721	5.6
	Other	1,471	365	352	3.6	127	117	121	8.6	4.7	365	352	3.6
	Total	31,649	7,845	7,572	3.6	2,725	2,509	2,603	8.6	4.7	7,845	7,572	3.6
Shipments													
	West	14,038	3,515	3,350	4.9	1,241	1,146	1,134	8.3	9.4	3,515	3,350	4.9
	South	16,111	3,930	3,721	5.6	1,343	1,254	1,270	7.1	5.7	3,930	3,721	5.6
	Other_	1,469	363	345	5.3	126	117	117	7.7	7.5	363	345	5.3
	Total	31,619	7,807	7,415	5.3	2,710	2,517	2,522	7.7	7.5	7,807	7,415	5.3
New Orders	5	i			i					î			
	West	14,025	3,511	3,368	4.3	1,233	1,148	1,124	7.4	9.7	3,511	3,368	4.3
	South	16,111	3,930	3,721	5.6	1,343	1,254	1,270	7.1	5.7	3,930	3,721	5.6
	Other	1,469	363	346	5.0	126	117	117	7.3	7.6	363	346	5.0
	Total	31,605	7,804	7,434	5.0	2,702	2,519	2,511	7.3	7.6	7,804	7,434	5.0

<b>Unfilled Orders</b>		<u>Mar-15</u>	Mar-14	
West	518	518	548	-5.6
South	714	714	714	0.0
Other	71	71	73	-3.6
Total	1,303	1,303	1,336	-2.5
Inventories		<u>Mar-15</u>	Mar-14	
West	1,273	1,308	1,389	-5.8
South	1,572	1,572	1,572	0.0
Other	162	164	168	-2.5
Total	2 007	2 042	2 120	2.7



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)

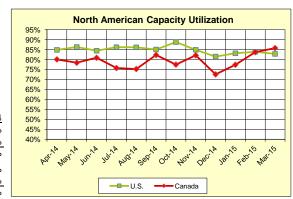
	Full Year	3 months	YTD									
Production	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	2014	% Chg	Mar-15	Feb-15	Mar-14	M to M %	Y to Y %	1st Qtr 15	1st Qtr 14	% Chg
British Columbia	12,633	3,242	3,195	1.5	1,160	1,039	1,098	11.6	5.6	3,242	3,195	1.5
East of the Rockies	12,013	3,143	2,975	5.7	1,163	1,023	1,043	13.7	11.5	3,143	2,975	5.7
Total	24,646	6,385	6,169	3.5	2,323	2,061	2,141	12.7	8.5	6,385	6,169	3.5
Shipments												
British Columbia	12,485	3,134	2,684	16.7	1,153	1,011	896	14.0	28.7	3,134	2,684	16.7
East of the Rockies	11,541	2,902	2,626	10.5	1,097	903	906	21.4	21.0	2,902	2,626	10.5
Total	24,026	6,036	5,310	13.7	2,250	1,915	1,802	17.5	24.8	6,036	5,310	13.7

Inventories		Mar-15	Mar-14	
British Columbia	1,185	1,311	1,526	-14.1
East of the Rockies	1,480	1,689	1,821	-7.3
Total	2,664	3.000	3.347	-10.4

Source: Statistics Canada, Council of Forest Industries-CAN

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

	Full Year	3 month	s YTD			
	2014	2015	2014	Mar-15	Feb-15	Mar-14
West	80%	82%	80%	83%	83%	84%
South_	89%	85%	82%	83%	86%	84%
Total U.S.	84%	83%	81%	83%	84%	84%
British Columbia	79%	82%	80%	84%	82%	83%
East of the Rockies	79%	83%	79%	88%	85%	83%
Total Canada	79%	82%	80%	86%	84%	83%



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

# **Trade Statistics**

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

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Apparent Consumption

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	Full Year 2014	3 months 2015		o/ Chal	Mor 15	Feb-15	Mor 14	M to M %	V to V0/	1ot Otr 15	1ot Otr 14	% Chg
From British Columbia	6,199	1,530	<u>2014</u> 1,309	% Chg 16.9	<u>Mar-15</u> 565	487	<u>Mar-14</u> 453	16.0	Y to Y% 24.7	1st Qtr 15 1,530	1st Qtr 14 1,309	% Crig 16.9
East of the Rockies	5,939	1,474	1,355	8.8	581	453	519	28.5	12.1	1,474	1,355	8.8
Total Canadian Imports	12,138	3,004	2,663	12.8	1,147	940	972	22.0	18.0	3,004	2,663	12.8
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From Latin America	329	99	50	96.1	21	19	22	11.7	-3.8	99	50	96.1
From Europe	142	49	31	57.8	29	8	13	284.2	114.7	49	31	57.8
Total Non-Canadian _	569	173	104	65.3	60	32	42	85.3	41.2	173	104	65.3
Total Lumber Imports	12,707	3,177	2,768	14.8	1,207	972	1,014	24.1	18.9	3,177	2,768	14.8
U. S. Softwood	Lumber	Exports (	million	board fe	et)							
	Full Year		nths YTD									
	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	% Chg	<u>Mar-15</u>	<u>Feb-15</u>	<u>Mar-14</u>	M to M %	Y to Y%	1st Qtr 15	1st Qtr 14	% Chg
To Canada	371	89	94	-4.8	31	29	31	8.2	-0.2	89	94	-4.8
To China	344	62	124	-50.2	29	18	42	60.3	-30.2	62	124	-50.2
To Japan	129	32	38	-15.9	12	10	14	18.9	-12.2	32	38	-15.9
To Mexico	296	77	67	15.9	29	25	24	16.1	19.8	77	67	15.9
To Other Countries _	600	124	148	-16.2	50	39	50	28.1	-1.6	124	148	-16.2
Total Lumber Exports	1,740	384	470	-18.3	151	121	162	24.9	-6.5	384	470	-18.3
U. S. Softwood	Log Imp	orts (mill	ion boar	d feet)								
From Canada	98	39	16	143.7	14	12	7	17.9	121.4	39	16	143.7
Non-Canadian Sources _	0	0	0	-54.4	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Total Log Imports	99	39	16	143.6	14	12	7	17.9	121.5	39	16	143.6
U. S. Softwood	l og Evn	orte (mill	ion hoa	rd foot)								
To China	1,207	195	321	-39.3	106	45	112	133.8	E 0	105	321	-39.3
To Japan	469	80	133	-39.3	106 26	45 36	34	-28.6	-5.8 -25.2	195 80	133	-39.3 -40.2
To Canada	417	163	167	-2.2	54	65	60	-20.0 -17.1	-23.2	163	167	-40.2
To Other Countries	233	27	58	-53.5	9	13	22	-33.1	-59.3	27	58	-53.5
Total Log Exports	2,325	465	680	-31.6	194	159	229	21.9	-15.1	465	680	-31.6
Source: U.S. Department of Con				· ·		100	220	21.0	10.11	100	000	01.0
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Canadian Softw	ood Lur	nber Exp	orts (mil	lion boa	rd feet)							
To U.S.	12,138	3,004	2,663	12.8	1,147	940	972	22.0	18.0	3,004	2,663	12.8
To China	3,160	657	600	9.5	276	213	123	29.4	123.7	657	600	9.5
To Japan	940	227	188	20.4	90	66	33	36.9	169.1	227	188	20.4
Other_	814	229	150	52.9	90	82	29	10.8	209.8	229	150	52.9
Total Lumber Exports	17,052	4,117	3,602	14.3	1,603	1,300	1,158	23.3	38.4	4,117	3,602	14.3
Source: Statistics Canada, Coun	icil of Forest Ind	ustries-CAN										
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U.S. Softwood Lu	ımber Co	onsumpti	on (milli	on boar	d feet)							
	Full Year		nths YTD									
	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	% Chg	<u>Mar-15</u>	Feb-15	<u>Mar-14</u>	M to M %	Y to Y%	1st Qtr 15	1st Qtr 14	% Chg
Lumber Shipments	31,619	7,807	7,415	5.3	2,710	2,517	2,522	7.7	7.5	7,807	7,415	5.3
Plus Imports	12,707	3,177	2,768	14.8	1,207	972	1,014	24.1	18.9	3,177	2,768	14.8
Minus Exports _	(1,740)	(384)	(470)	-18.3	(151)	(121)	(162)	24.9	-6.5	(384)	(470)	-18.3
Apparent Consumption	42,586	10,600	9,713	9.1	3,766	3,368	3,375	11.8	11.6	10,600	9,713	9.1
Canadian Softwo	od Lumb	er Consi	ımption	(million	board fe	eet)						
	Full Year		nths YTD	,		•,						
	2014	2015	2014	% Chg	Mar-15	Feb-15	Mar-14	M to M %	Y to Y%	1st Qtr 15	1st Qtr 14	% Chg
Lumber Shipments	24,026	6,036	5,310	13.7	2,250	1,915	1,802	17.5	24.8	6,036	5,310	13.7
Plus Imports	401	97	102	-4.8	34	31	34	8.2	-0.2	97	102	-4.8
Minus Exports _	(17,052)	(4,117)	(3,602)	14.3	(1,603)	(1,300)	(1,158)	23.3	38.4	(4,117)	(3,602)	14.3

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### Western Wood Products Association - North American Activity and Consumption Update

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Estimated North American	Production	on (millio	n board	feet)														
	2013			2014												2015		
Region	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR
Coast Inland	773 446	659 374	575 356	720 442	658 386	742 428	779 425	761 399	743 398	746 427	705 417	739 421	812 455	632 355	660 400	725 397	716 393	795 432
Cal. Redwood	446	374	38	442	39	420	30	31	34	35	32	38	38	30	26	35	29	28
Total West	1.262	1,065	970	1,204	1,083	1.212	1,235	1,190	1,175	1,208	1,154	1,198	1.306	1.016	1.086	1.156	1.138	1,255
South	1,393	1,201	1,115	1,298	1,153	1,270	1,407	1,374	1,334	1,476	1,405	1,329	1,583	1,146	1,336	1,333	1,254	1,343
Other	129	110	102	122	109	121	129	125	122	131	125	123	141	105	118	121	117	127
Total U.S.	2,784	2,377	2,186	2,624	2,345	2,603	2,770	2,689	2,631	2,815	2,684	2,650	3,030	2,268	2,540	2,611	2,509	2,725
British Columbia	1,127	1,014	921	1,106	991	1,098	1,113	1,023	1,111	1,077	1,011	1,061	1,088	981	974	1,044	1,039	1,160
Prairies & Eastern Canada	1,100	1,007	799	978	954	1,043	1,056	1,004	981	975	934	1,066	1,106	1,013	903	958	1,023	1,163
Total Canada	2,228	2,021	1,720	2,083	1,945	2,141	2,169	2,027	2,091	2,052	1,946	2,127	2,194	1,994	1,877	2,001	2,061	2,323
Total North America	5,012	4,398	3,906	4,707	4,289	4,745	4,939	4,716	4,722	4,867	4,630	4,777	5,224	4,262	4,416	4,612	4,570	5,047
Estimated North American	Shipmen 2013	ts (millio	n board f	feet) 2014												2015		
Region	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR
Coast	769	654	599	710	630	707	776	765	753	795	747	732	791	605	675	686	706	768
Inland	436	358	339	424	371	394	440	426	410	428	417	422	444	322	374	395	382	420
Cal. Redwood	44	36	34	40	40	34	37	37	44	45	43	42	46	36	35	46	58	52
Total West	1,249	1,049	971	1,174	1,041	1,134	1,253	1,228	1,207	1,268	1,208	1,196	1,281	963	1,084	1,127	1,146	1,241
South	1,393	1,201	1,115	1,298	1,153	1,270	1,407	1,374	1,334	1,476	1,405	1,329	1,583	1,146	1,336	1,333	1,254	1,343
Other <b>Total U.S</b> .	129 2,770	110 2,360	102 2,188	121 2,593	107 2,301	117 2,522	130 2,790	127 2,729	124 2,665	134 2,878	127 2,741	123 2,648	140 3,004	103 2,212	118 2,537	120 2,580	117 2,517	126 2,710
Total C.C.	2,770	2,000	2,100	2,000	2,001	2,022	2,700	2,720	2,000	2,070	2,771	2,040	0,004	2,212	2,007	2,000	2,017	2,710
British Columbia	1,079	981	890	960	829	896	1,076	1,142	1,228	1,099	1,043	1,077	1,114	1,006	1,016	969	1,011	1,153
Prairies & Eastern Canada Total Canada	998 2,077	918 1,898	729 1,619	885 1,845	834 1,663	906 1,802	972 2,048	985 2,127	1,029 2,256	1,054 2,153	978 2,021	989 2,067	1,086 2,201	939 1,944	884 1,900	902 1,871	903 1,915	1,097 2,250
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Total North America	4,848	4,258	3,806	4,438	3,964	4,324	4,838	4,856	4,921	5,031	4,762	4,715	5,204	4,156	4,437	4,452	4,432	4,960
Estimated U.S. Orders (mil	ion board	d feet)																
	2013			2014												2015		
Region	OCT 774	NOV	DEC	JAN 740	FEB 045	MAR	APR 704	MAY	JUN	JUL 700	AUG 744	SEP 705	OCT 770	NOV	DEC	JAN coo	<u>FEB</u>	MAR
Coast Inland	774 437	652 361	611 355	710 422	645 377	709 385	781 452	739 399	768 403	782 430	741 428	735 418	779 438	619 314	685 384	688 398	719 382	776 416
Cal. Redwood	42	41	37	43	45	31	40	48	47	39	35	41	44	35	33	44	46	41
Total West	1,254	1,054	1,003	1,175	1,068	1,124	1,273	1,186	1,218	1,251	1,204	1,193	1,260	969	1,103	1,130	1,148	1,233
South	1,393	1,201	1,115	1,298	1,153	1,270	1,407	1,374	1,334	1,476	1,405	1,329	1,583	1,146	1,336	1,333	1,254	1,343
Other <b>Total U.S</b> .	129 2,776	110 2,365	103 2,221	121 2,594	108 2,330	117 2,511	131 2,811	125 2,685	124 2,677	133 2,860	127 2,736	123 2,645	139 2,982	103 2,218	119 2,557	120 2,583	117 2,519	126 2,702
	•			2,594	2,330	2,511	2,011	2,000	2,011	2,000	2,736	2,045	2,902	2,210	2,557	2,563	2,519	2,702
Estimated U.S. Unfilled Ord	iers (milli 2013	on board	i teet)	2014												2015		
Region	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR
Coast	247	245	261	259	274	276	281	255	270	257	251	254	242	256	266	267	280	288
Inland	216	219	236	232	238	229	242	216	209	211	222	217	210	202	213	216	219	215
Cal. Redwood	29	34	37	40	46	43	46	56	60	54	45	43	42	41	40	38	26	14
Total West South	493 714	498 714	534 714	531 714	559 714	548 714	568	527 714	539 714	522 714	517 714	514 714	494 714	499 714	518 714	521 714	526 714	518 714
Other	714	714	714	714	714	714	714 73	714	714	714	714	714	714	714	714	714	714	714
Total U.S.	1,277	1,283	1,321	1,318	1,347	1,336	1,356	1,312	1,325	1,307	1,302	1,299	1,277	1,283	1,303	1,306	1,311	1,303
Estimated North American	Inventori	es (millio	n board	feet)														
	2013	•		2014												2015		
Region	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	<u>JUL</u>	<u>AUG</u>	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	<u>FEB</u>	MAR
Coast	575	579	556	564	592	628	630	626	616	567	525	533	554	581	566	605	612	639
Inland	485	501	519	536	551	585	570	543	536	533	533	532	543	575	601	603	614	626
Cal. Redwood Total West	162 1,223	162 1,242	166 1,241	169 1,269	168 1,311	176 1,389	169 1,370	163 1,332	153 1,306	144 1,244	132 1,190	128 1,192	120 1,217	114 1,270	105 1,273	93 1,302	65 1,291	43 1,308
South	1,572	1,572	1,572	1,572	1,572	1,572	1,570	1,572	1,572	1,572	1,572	1,572	1,572	1,572	1,572	1,572	1,572	1,572
Other	160	161	161	162	164	168	167	165	163	161	158	158	159	162	162	163	163	164
Total U.S.	2,955	2,975	2,974	3,003	3,047	3,129	3,109	3,069	3,041	2,977	2,920	2,922	2,949	3,004	3,007	3,037	3,026	3,043
British Columbia	1,024	1,043	1,074	1,205	1,347	1,526	1,561	1,423	1,345	1,324	1,291	1,214	1,192	1,204	1,185	1,270	1,301	1,311
Prairies & Eastern Canada	1,581	1,593	1,618	1,673	1,724	1,821	1,826	1,796	1,705	1,574	1,508	1,512	1,467	1,497	1,480	1,458	1,626	1,689
Total Canada	2,605	2,636	2,692	2,878	3,071	3,347	3,387	3,219	3,049	2,898	2,799	2,726	2,659	2,700	2,664	2,728	2,928	3,000
Total North America	5.560	5.611	5,665	5.881	6.118	6.476	6.496	6.288	6.090	5.875	5.719	5.648	5.607	5.704	5.671	5.765	5.954	6,044
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