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

Production	Full Year	2 months YTD										
	2012	2013	2012	% Chg	Feb-13	Jan-13	Feb-12	M to M %	Y to Y%	4th Qtr 12	4th Qtr 11	% Chg
West	12,863	2,271	2,031	11.8	1,112	1,159	1,029	-4.0	8.1	3,251	2,697	20.5
South	14,295	2,496	2,323	7.4	1,174	1,322	1,140	-11.2	3.0	3,506	3,223	8.8
Other	1,515	266	243	9.4	128	138	121	-7.8	5.5	377	333	13.1
Total	28,674	5,033	4,597	9.5	2,414	2,619	2,290	-7.8	5.4	7,134	6,254	14.1

## Shipments

West	12,747	2,235	1,967	13.6	1,097	1,139	1,009	-3.7	8.7	3,245	2,780	16.7
South	14,295	2,496	2,323	7.4	1,174	1,322	1,140	-11.2	3.0	3,506	3,223	8.8
Other	1,509	264	240	10.2	127	137	120	-7.7	5.7	377	339	11.0
Total	28,551	4,995	4,530	10.3	2,398	2,598	2,269	-7.7	5.7	7,127	6,343	12.4

## New Orders

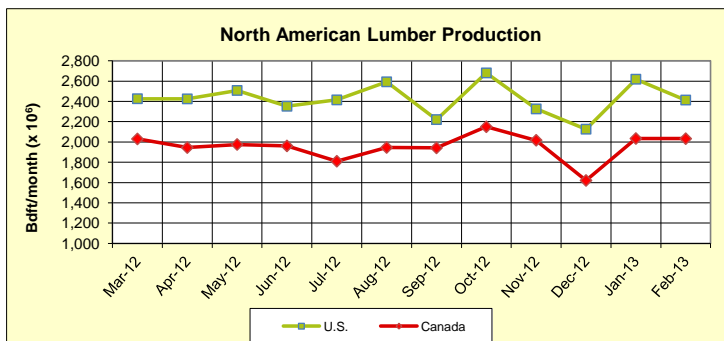
West	12,817	2,224	1,978	12.4	1,072	1,152	992	-7.0	8.1	3,276	2,768	18.4
South	14,295	2,496	2,323	7.4	1,174	1,322	1,140	-11.2	3.0	3,506	3,223	8.8
Other	1,513	263	240	9.6	125	138	119	-9.2	5.4	378	339	11.8
Total	28,625	4,984	4,541	9.7	2,371	2,612	2,251	-9.2	5.4	7,161	6,329	13.1

## Unfilled Orders

	Feb-13	Feb-12	
West	500	483	481
South	673	673	673
Other	72	72	68
Total	1,244	1,229	1,222

## Inventories

	Feb-13	Feb-12	
West	1,324	1,355	1,282
South	1,482	1,482	1,482
Other	160	162	157
Total	2,967	2,999	2,921



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	2 months YTD										
	2012	2013	2012	% Chg	Feb-13	Jan-13	Feb-12	M to M %	Y to Y%	4th Qtr 12	4th Qtr 11	% Chg
British Columbia	12,308	2,151	2,100	2.4	1,060	1,091	1,063	-2.9	-0.3	2,956	2,929	0.9
East of the Rockies	10,882	1,916	1,693	13.1	973	943	875	3.2	11.2	2,831	2,441	16.0
Total	23,190	4,067	3,793	7.2	2,033	2,034	1,938	-0.1	4.9	5,787	5,370	7.8

## Shipments

British Columbia	12,239	1,986	2,016	-1.5	1,029	957	1,049	7.6	-1.9	2,995	3,057	-2.0
East of the Rockies	10,183	1,666	1,538	8.3	817	849	782	-3.8	4.5	2,602	2,272	14.5
Total	22,422	3,652	3,554	2.8	1,846	1,805	1,831	2.3	0.8	5,596	5,330	5.0

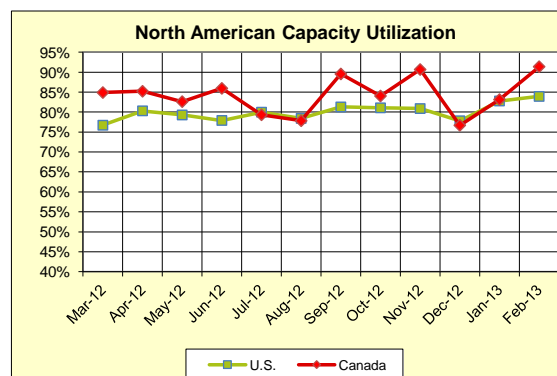
## Inventories

	Feb-13	Feb-12	
British Columbia	999	1,163	1,154
East of the Rockies	1,491	1,641	1,518
Total	2,490	2,805	2,672

Source: Statistics Canada, Council of Forest Industries-CAN

## Production as Percent of Practical Capacity

	Full Year	2 months YTD					
	2012	2013	2012	Feb-13	Jan-13	Feb-12	
West	78%	83%	74%	85%	81%	75%	
South	80%	84%	78%	83%	85%	77%	
Total U.S.	79%	83%	76%	84%	83%	76%	
British Columbia	84%	89%	87%	92%	86%	88%	
East of the Rockies	83%	85%	79%	91%	80%	82%	
Total Canada	84%	87%	83%	91%	83%	85%	



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

## Trade Statistics

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

	Full Year	2 months YTD										
	2012	2013	2012	% Chg								
From British Columbia	5,337	927	766	20.9	Feb-13	Jan-13	Feb-12	M to M %	Y to Y%	4th Qtr 12	4th Qtr 11	% Chg
East of the Rockies	4,192	612	621	-1.4	278	334	321	-16.6	-13.2	1,306	1,279	2.1
Total Canadian Imports	9,528	1,539	1,387	10.9	783	756	742	3.5	5.5	2,414	2,318	4.1
From Latin America	161	30	31	-2.4	12	19	12	-37.4	-5.6	48	46	4.3
From Europe	87	21	12	73.6	6	15	2	-60.1	141.2	28	39	-26.8
Total Non-Canadian	336	64	56	13.9	23	41	22	-43.4	5.0	98	107	-8.2
Total Lumber Imports	9,864	1,603	1,443	11.1	806	797	764	1.0	5.5	2,512	2,425	3.6

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

	Full Year	2 months YTD										
	2012	2013	2012	% Chg								
To Canada	377	66	56	17.7	31	35	30	-12.5	2.9	94	85	11.5
To China	245	49	59	-17.2	27	22	24	22.1	13.9	75	97	-22.8
To Japan	164	24	26	-6.3	12	12	15	-3.4	-21.1	40	48	-17.0
To Mexico	282	42	41	1.8	20	22	21	-12.7	-7.2	69	61	13.2
To Other Countries	514	79	71	10.6	38	41	36	-8.0	5.9	146	113	29.4
Total Lumber Exports	1,582	260	254	2.5	127	133	126	-4.6	1.2	424	404	5.1

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

From Canada	133	17	16	4.4	5	12	9	-55.5	-42.0	13	19	-29.9
Non-Canadian Sources	0	0	0	-97.0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Total Log Imports	133	17	16	2.9	5	12	9	-55.5	-42.2	13	19	-29.8

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

To China	941	138	111	24.5	70	67	62	4.2	12.7	276	232	18.8
To Japan	461	74	75	-2.0	39	35	37	9.0	4.2	128	136	-6.1
To Canada	451	121	118	2.7	65	56	65	17.0	1.2	99	110	-10.2
To Other Countries	257	42	42	-0.8	26	16	13	66.4	107.8	58	73	-19.8
Total Log Exports	2,110	375	346	8.2	200	174	177	14.9	13.5	561	551	1.8

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

### Canadian Softwood Lumber Exports (million board feet)

To U.S.	9,528	1,539	1,387	10.9	783	756	742	3.5	5.5	2,414	2,318	4.1
To China	3,211	509	514	-0.9	286	223	252	28.3	13.8	864	742	16.5
To Japan	1,123	183	159	15.0	106	77	90	38.1	17.1	311	312	-0.2
Other	959	200	154	30.1	147	53	89	176.6	65.8	191	249	-23.3
Total Lumber Exports	14,821	2,431	2,214	9.8	1,322	1,109	1,172	19.1	12.7	3,781	3,621	4.4

Source: Statistics Canada, Council of Forest Industries-CAN

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

	Full Year	2 months YTD										
	2012	2013	2012	% Chg								
Lumber Shipments	28,551	4,995	4,530	10.3	2,398	2,598	2,269	-7.7	5.7	7,127	6,343	12.4
Plus Imports	9,864	1,603	1,443	11.1	806	797	764	1.0	5.5	2,512	2,425	3.6
Minus Exports	(1,582)	(260)	(254)	2.5	(127)	(133)	(126)	-4.6	1.2	(424)	(404)	5.1
Apparent Consumption	36,834	6,338	5,719	10.8	3,076	3,262	2,907	-5.7	5.8	9,215	8,364	10.2

### Canadian Softwood Lumber Consumption (million board feet)

	Full Year	2 months YTD										
	2012	2013	2012	% Chg								
Lumber Shipments	22,422	3,652	3,554	2.8	1,846	1,805	1,831	2.3	0.8	5,596	5,330	5.0
Plus Imports	408	71	60	17.7	33	38	32	-12.5	2.9	102	91	11.5
Minus Exports	(14,821)	(2,431)	(2,214)	9.8	(1,322)	(1,109)	(1,172)	19.1	12.7	(3,781)	(3,621)	4.4
Apparent Consumption	8,009	1,292	1,400	-7.7	558	734	691	-24.0	-19.3	1,917	1,800	6.5



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

Region	2011				2012												2013	
	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB
Coast	619	572	539	507	620	632	653	649	695	653	655	733	620	747	664	577	715	684
Inland	370	363	323	330	350	362	388	356	386	375	353	417	355	432	378	347	395	382
Cal. Redwood	43	26	23	15	33	35	41	43	40	46	46	41	38	47	30	31	49	46
<b>Total West</b>	<b>1,031</b>	<b>961</b>	<b>885</b>	<b>851</b>	<b>1,002</b>	<b>1,029</b>	<b>1,082</b>	<b>1,048</b>	<b>1,121</b>	<b>1,073</b>	<b>1,054</b>	<b>1,191</b>	<b>1,013</b>	<b>1,226</b>	<b>1,071</b>	<b>954</b>	<b>1,159</b>	<b>1,112</b>
South	1,154	1,141	1,081	1,001	1,183	1,140	1,217	1,249	1,255	1,155	1,234	1,265	1,091	1,314	1,132	1,060	1,322	1,174
Other	123	118	111	104	122	121	128	128	133	124	128	137	117	142	123	112	138	128
<b>Total U.S.</b>	<b>2,309</b>	<b>2,221</b>	<b>2,076</b>	<b>1,957</b>	<b>2,307</b>	<b>2,290</b>	<b>2,427</b>	<b>2,425</b>	<b>2,508</b>	<b>2,353</b>	<b>2,415</b>	<b>2,594</b>	<b>2,221</b>	<b>2,681</b>	<b>2,326</b>	<b>2,126</b>	<b>2,619</b>	<b>2,414</b>
British Columbia	1,012	1,059	1,002	868	1,037	1,063	1,101	1,044	1,045	1,044	1,021	1,032	964	1,088	1,029	839	1,091	1,060
Prairies & Eastern Canada	860	924	834	684	819	875	929	900	930	918	790	914	977	1,061	988	782	943	973
<b>Total Canada</b>	<b>1,872</b>	<b>1,983</b>	<b>1,836</b>	<b>1,552</b>	<b>1,856</b>	<b>1,938</b>	<b>2,030</b>	<b>1,945</b>	<b>1,975</b>	<b>1,961</b>	<b>1,810</b>	<b>1,946</b>	<b>1,942</b>	<b>2,150</b>	<b>2,017</b>	<b>1,621</b>	<b>2,034</b>	<b>2,033</b>
<b>Total North America</b>	<b>4,180</b>	<b>4,204</b>	<b>3,912</b>	<b>3,509</b>	<b>4,163</b>	<b>4,227</b>	<b>4,457</b>	<b>4,370</b>	<b>4,484</b>	<b>4,314</b>	<b>4,226</b>	<b>4,539</b>	<b>4,163</b>	<b>4,831</b>	<b>4,343</b>	<b>3,747</b>	<b>4,653</b>	<b>4,446</b>

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

Region	2011				2012												2013	
	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB
Coast	631	593	543	541	592	623	637	641	698	661	664	728	585	742	678	578	679	666
Inland	356	341	329	337	334	357	382	372	397	366	366	408	347	410	376	343	418	385
Cal. Redwood	43	33	33	30	32	29	36	38	41	46	44	38	39	44	36	36	41	46
<b>Total West</b>	<b>1,029</b>	<b>967</b>	<b>905</b>	<b>908</b>	<b>958</b>	<b>1,009</b>	<b>1,055</b>	<b>1,051</b>	<b>1,136</b>	<b>1,073</b>	<b>1,074</b>	<b>1,175</b>	<b>971</b>	<b>1,197</b>	<b>1,090</b>	<b>958</b>	<b>1,139</b>	<b>1,097</b>
South	1,154	1,141	1,081	1,001	1,183	1,140	1,217	1,249	1,255	1,155	1,234	1,265	1,091	1,314	1,132	1,060	1,322	1,174
Other	123	119	112	108	120	120	127	128	133	124	129	136	115	140	124	113	137	127
<b>Total U.S.</b>	<b>2,307</b>	<b>2,227</b>	<b>2,098</b>	<b>2,017</b>	<b>2,261</b>	<b>2,269</b>	<b>2,399</b>	<b>2,428</b>	<b>2,524</b>	<b>2,353</b>	<b>2,436</b>	<b>2,576</b>	<b>2,178</b>	<b>2,651</b>	<b>2,346</b>	<b>2,130</b>	<b>2,598</b>	<b>2,398</b>
British Columbia	1,086	1,057	1,038	962	967	1,049	1,092	1,024	1,029	1,058	1,058	1,033	935	1,130	1,018	846	957	1,029
Prairies & Eastern Canada	774	844	796	632	756	782	814	871	899	845	902	864	849	973	892	737	849	817
<b>Total Canada</b>	<b>1,859</b>	<b>1,901</b>	<b>1,834</b>	<b>1,594</b>	<b>1,722</b>	<b>1,831</b>	<b>1,906</b>	<b>1,895</b>	<b>1,929</b>	<b>1,903</b>	<b>1,960</b>	<b>1,896</b>	<b>1,783</b>	<b>2,103</b>	<b>1,910</b>	<b>1,583</b>	<b>1,805</b>	<b>1,846</b>
<b>Total North America</b>	<b>4,166</b>	<b>4,129</b>	<b>3,932</b>	<b>3,611</b>	<b>3,983</b>	<b>4,101</b>	<b>4,305</b>	<b>4,323</b>	<b>4,453</b>	<b>4,255</b>	<b>4,397</b>	<b>4,472</b>	<b>3,961</b>	<b>4,754</b>	<b>4,257</b>	<b>3,713</b>	<b>4,403</b>	<b>4,244</b>

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

Region	2011				2012												2013	
	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB
Coast	635	584	533	537	608	611	637	628	711	665	668	713	615	731	668	579	693	660
Inland	361	340	332	345	349	349	367	386	385	374	379	400	361	418	379	370	416	370
Cal. Redwood	37	33	41	23	30	32	35	41	42	44	37	39	36	48	38	44	43	43
<b>Total West</b>	<b>1,033</b>	<b>957</b>	<b>906</b>	<b>905</b>	<b>987</b>	<b>992</b>	<b>1,039</b>	<b>1,056</b>	<b>1,137</b>	<b>1,082</b>	<b>1,084</b>	<b>1,153</b>	<b>1,012</b>	<b>1,198</b>	<b>1,085</b>	<b>993</b>	<b>1,152</b>	<b>1,072</b>
South	1,154	1,141	1,081	1,001	1,183	1,140	1,217	1,249	1,255	1,155	1,234	1,265	1,091	1,314	1,132	1,060	1,322	1,174
Other	124	119	112	108	121	119	126	129	133	125	129	135	117	140	124	115	138	125
<b>Total U.S.</b>	<b>2,310</b>	<b>2,216</b>	<b>2,099</b>	<b>2,014</b>	<b>2,291</b>	<b>2,251</b>	<b>2,382</b>	<b>2,433</b>	<b>2,526</b>	<b>2,362</b>	<b>2,448</b>	<b>2,552</b>	<b>2,220</b>	<b>2,652</b>	<b>2,341</b>	<b>2,167</b>	<b>2,612</b>	<b>2,371</b>

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

Region	2011				2012												2013	
	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB
Coast	249	240	230	226	241	230	230	221	234	238	242	226	256	245	231	232	246	238
Inland	197	196	198	206	221	219	206	221	208	216	229	220	230	238	240	227	221	204
Cal. Redwood	30	31	39	32	30	32	31	34	35	33	26	29	26	30	33	40	43	41
<b>Total West</b>	<b>477</b>	<b>466</b>	<b>467</b>	<b>463</b>	<b>492</b>	<b>481</b>	<b>467</b>	<b>476</b>	<b>478</b>	<b>486</b>	<b>497</b>	<b>476</b>	<b>512</b>	<b>514</b>	<b>504</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>510</b>	<b>483</b>
South	669	669	669	669	673	673	673	673	673	673	673	673	673	673	673	673	673	673
Other	68	68	68	68	69	68	67	68	68	68	69	68	70	70	70	72	72	72
<b>Total U.S.</b>	<b>1,214</b>	<b>1,203</b>	<b>1,204</b>	<b>1,200</b>	<b>1,234</b>	<b>1,222</b>	<b>1,207</b>	<b>1,217</b>	<b>1,218</b>	<b>1,228</b>	<b>1,239</b>	<b>1,217</b>	<b>1,255</b>	<b>1,257</b>	<b>1,247</b>	<b>1,244</b>	<b>1,255</b>	<b>1,229</b>

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

Region	2011				2012												2013	
	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB
Coast	633	612	606	572	600	609	626	635	631	623	613	620	646	654	629	630	667	686
Inland	472	494	488	481	497	506	509	493	482	490	479	489	497	520	521	524	501	499
Cal. Redwood	193	186	176	160	161	167	172	177	176	176	179	182	180	186	177	171	170	170
<b>Total West</b>	<b>1,298</b>	<b>1,292</b>	<b>1,270</b>	<b>1,213</b>	<b>1,257</b>	<b>1,282</b>	<b>1,307</b>	<b>1,304</b>	<b>1,289</b>	<b>1,289</b>	<b>1,271</b>	<b>1,291</b>	<b>1,324</b>	<b>1,360</b>	<b>1,328</b>	<b>1,324</b>	<b>1,338</b>	<b>1,355</b>
South	1,359	1,359	1,359	1,359	1,482	1,482	1,482	1,482	1,482	1,482	1,482	1,482	1,482	1,482	1,482	1,482	1,482	1,482
Other	160	159	158	154	156	157	159	159	158	158	157	158	160	162	161	160	162	162
<b>Total U.S.</b>	<b>2,817</b>	<b>2,810</b>	<b>2,786</b>	<b>2,726</b>	<b>2,896</b>	<b>2,921</b>	<b>2,948</b>	<b>2,945</b>	<b>2,929</b>	<b>2,929</b>	<b>2,910</b>	<b>2,930</b>	<b>2,966</b>	<b>3,004</b>	<b>2,970</b>	<b>2,967</b>	<b>2,981</b>	<b>2,999</b>
British Columbia	1,131	1,167	1,163	1,100	1,165	1,154	1,137	1,127	1,131	1,110	1,082	1,067	1,072	1,033	1,011	999	1,157	1,163
Prairies & Eastern Canada	1,526	1,508	1,450	1,410	1,447	1,518	1,561	1,549	1,524	1,549	1,398	1,383	1,470	1,479	1,494	1,491	1,536	1,641
<b>Total Canada</b>	<b>2,656</b>	<b>2,675</b>	<b>2,613</b>	<b>2,510</b>	<b>2,612</b>	<b>2,672</b>	<b>2,698</b>	<b>2,676</b>	<b>2,655</b>	<b>2,659</b>	<b>2,479</b>	<b>2,449</b>	<b>2,542</b>	<b>2,512</b>	<b>2,504</b>	<b>2,490</b>	<b>2,693</b>	<b>2,805</b>
<b>Total North America</b>	<b>5,473</b>	<b>5,485</b>	<b>5,399</b>	<b>5,236</b>	<b>5,508</b>	<b>5,593</b>	<b>5,646</b>	<b>5,621</b>	<b>5,585</b>	<b>5,589</b>	<b>5,389</b>	<b>5,380</b>	<b>5,508</b>	<b>5,516</b>	<b>5,475</b>	<b>5,457</b>	<b>5,675</b>	<b>5,804</b>