



Lumber Track

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

Production	Full Year	5 months YTD										
	2012	2013	2012	% Chg	May-13	Apr-13	May-12	M to M %	Y to Y%	1st Qtr 13	1st Qtr 12	% Chg
West	12,593	5,775	5,170	11.7	1,176	1,185	1,097	-0.8	7.1	3,414	3,047	12.0
South	14,295	6,225	6,044	3.0	1,242	1,268	1,255	-2.1	-1.0	3,715	3,540	4.9
Other	949	422	396	6.6	85	86	83	-1.5	1.9	252	233	8.2
Total	27,837	12,422	11,610	7.0	2,502	2,539	2,435	-1.5	2.8	7,380	6,820	8.2

Shipments

West	12,493	5,700	5,106	11.6	1,151	1,168	1,113	-1.4	3.4	3,382	2,963	14.1
South	14,295	6,225	6,044	3.0	1,242	1,268	1,255	-2.1	-1.0	3,715	3,540	4.9
Other	946	420	394	6.6	84	85	84	-1.8	0.2	251	230	9.1
Total	27,733	12,345	11,544	6.9	2,477	2,521	2,452	-1.8	1.0	7,347	6,733	9.1

New Orders

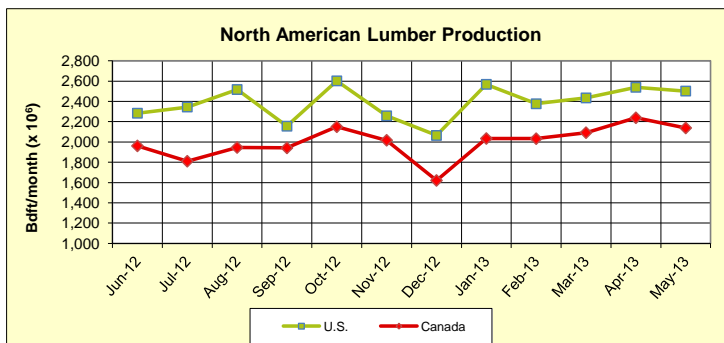
West	12,563	5,697	5,107	11.6	1,154	1,166	1,115	-1.1	3.5	3,377	2,958	14.2
South	14,295	6,225	6,044	3.0	1,242	1,268	1,255	-2.1	-1.0	3,715	3,540	4.9
Other	948	419	394	6.5	84	85	84	-1.6	0.2	250	229	9.2
Total	27,806	12,342	11,545	6.9	2,479	2,519	2,453	-1.6	1.1	7,343	6,727	9.2

Unfilled Orders

	May-13	May-12	
West	498	476	3.6
South	673	673	6.1
Other	54	52	3.9
Total	1,225	1,201	5.0

Inventories

	May-13	May-12	
West	1,277	1,250	8.5
South	1,482	1,482	6.1
Other	130	128	3.3
Total	2,888	2,860	7.0



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	5 months YTD										
	2012	2013	2012	% Chg	May-13	Apr-13	May-12	M to M %	Y to Y %	1st Qtr 13	1st Qtr 12	% Chg
British Columbia	12,308	5,492	5,291	3.8	1,116	1,167	1,045	-4.4	6.7	3,208	3,201	0.2
East of the Rockies	10,882	5,044	4,453	13.3	1,022	1,071	930	-4.6	9.9	2,950	2,622	12.5
Total	23,190	10,536	9,744	8.1	2,138	2,239	1,975	-4.5	8.2	6,159	5,823	5.8

Shipments

British Columbia	12,239	5,256	5,162	1.8	1,079	1,152	1,029	-6.4	4.8	3,025	3,108	-2.7
East of the Rockies	10,183	4,407	4,122	6.9	949	938	899	1.2	5.5	2,521	2,351	7.2
Total	22,422	9,663	9,283	4.1	2,028	2,090	1,929	-3.0	5.1	5,545	5,459	1.6

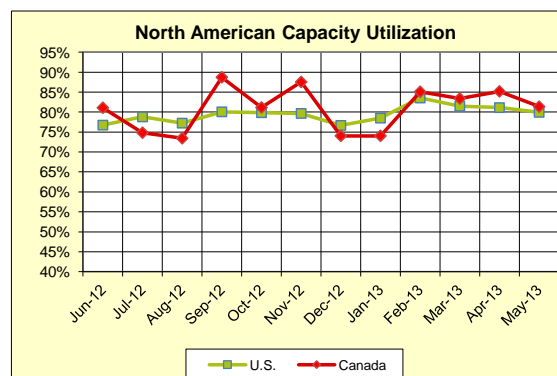
Inventories

	May-13	May-12	
British Columbia	999	1,122	-10.8
East of the Rockies	1,491	1,524	-2.2
Total	2,490	2,646	-6.3

Source: Statistics Canada, Council of Forest Industries-CAN

Production as Percent of Practical Capacity

	Full Year	5 months YTD				
	2012	2013	2012	May-13	Apr-13	May-12
West	76%	81%	74%	81%	82%	76%
South	80%	81%	80%	80%	81%	81%
Total U.S.	78%	81%	77%	80%	81%	78%
British Columbia	80%	81%	82%	80%	84%	79%
East of the Rockies	79%	83%	76%	82%	86%	77%
Total Canada	80%	82%	79%	81%	85%	78%



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

Trade Statistics

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

	Full Year	5 months YTD										
	2012	2013	2012	% Chg	May-13	Apr-13	May-12	M to M %	Y to Y%	1st Qtr 13	1st Qtr 12	% Chg
From British Columbia	5,337	2,601	2,074	25.4	524	593	452	-11.6	16.0	1,484	1,212	22.5
East of the Rockies	4,192	1,942	1,679	15.7	449	453	372	-0.9	20.7	1,040	961	8.2
Total Canadian Imports	9,528	4,543	3,753	21.1	973	1,046	824	-7.0	18.1	2,524	2,173	16.2
From Latin America	161	69	64	6.9	12	12	12	-4.9	-5.4	45	42	7.4
From Europe	87	71	32	120.1	13	16	8	-22.0	58.5	42	19	124.9
Total Non-Canadian	336	180	131	37.5	37	36	28	4.3	32.7	107	80	34.4
Total Lumber Imports	9,864	4,723	3,883	21.6	1,010	1,082	852	-6.6	18.6	2,631	2,253	16.8

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

	Full Year	5 months YTD										
	2012	2013	2012	% Chg	May-13	Apr-13	May-12	M to M %	Y to Y%	1st Qtr 13	1st Qtr 12	% Chg
To Canada	377	173	158	9.5	32	38	35	-15.3	-8.4	103	90	14.1
To China	245	120	117	2.3	27	21	16	29.4	71.8	71	85	-16.0
To Japan	164	70	70	-0.6	17	15	16	9.4	1.9	38	41	-7.0
To Mexico	282	114	118	-3.6	27	25	26	8.7	3.5	61	67	-8.5
To Other Countries	514	225	198	13.9	51	48	38	7.6	36.5	126	112	12.5
Total Lumber Exports	1,582	702	661	6.1	155	147	131	5.2	17.8	400	395	1.2

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

From Canada	133	54	63	-13.7	15	10	19	46.2	-20.3	29	31	-4.2
Non-Canadian Sources	0	0	0	-11.9	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Total Log Imports	133	55	63	-13.7	15	10	19	48.4	-19.0	29	31	-5.0

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

To China	941	489	331	47.5	111	127	76	-12.9	45.7	251	200	25.9
To Japan	461	222	180	23.3	58	33	51	75.7	15.6	130	112	16.3
To Canada	451	234	224	4.7	25	30	29	-16.5	-13.0	179	170	5.6
To Other Countries	257	105	114	-8.4	28	21	20	31.9	42.5	55	64	-14.2
Total Log Exports	2,110	1,050	849	23.6	222	211	175	5.1	27.0	616	546	12.9

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	4,543	3,753	21.1	973	1,046	824	-7.0	18.1	2,524	2,173	16.2
To China	3,211	1,264	1,370	-7.7	215	277	281	-22.5	-23.5	772	810	-4.8
To Japan	1,123	514	459	12.0	106	123	92	-13.5	15.7	285	262	8.8
Other	959	426	460	-7.4	92	67	108	38.1	-14.3	267	242	10.6
Total Lumber Exports	14,821	6,748	6,042	11.7	1,386	1,513	1,304	-8.4	6.3	3,848	3,487	10.4

Source: Statistics Canada, Council of Forest Industries-CAN

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

	Full Year	5 months YTD										
	2012	2013	2012	% Chg	May-13	Apr-13	May-12	M to M %	Y to Y%	1st Qtr 13	1st Qtr 12	% Chg
Lumber Shipments	27,733	12,345	11,544	6.9	2,477	2,521	2,452	-1.8	1.0	7,347	6,733	9.1
Plus Imports	9,864	4,723	3,883	21.6	1,010	1,082	852	-6.6	18.6	2,631	2,253	16.8
Minus Exports	(1,582)	(702)	(661)	6.1	(155)	(147)	(131)	5.2	17.8	(400)	(395)	1.2
Apparent Consumption	36,016	16,366	14,766	10.8	3,332	3,455	3,172	-3.6	5.0	9,578	8,590	11.5

Canadian Softwood Lumber Consumption (million board feet)

	Full Year	5 months YTD										
	2012	2013	2012	% Chg	May-13	Apr-13	May-12	M to M %	Y to Y%	1st Qtr 13	1st Qtr 12	% Chg
Lumber Shipments	22,422	9,663	9,283	4.1	2,028	2,090	1,929	-3.0	5.1	5,545	5,459	1.6
Plus Imports	408	187	171	9.5	35	41	38	-15.3	-8.4	111	98	14.1
Minus Exports	(14,821)	(6,748)	(6,042)	11.7	(1,386)	(1,513)	(1,304)	-8.4	6.3	(3,848)	(3,487)	10.4
Apparent Consumption	8,009	3,103	3,412	-9.1	676	618	662	9.5	2.1	1,809	2,070	-12.6



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Estimated North American Production (million board feet)

Estimated North American Forest Production (Million Cubic Feet)																		
	2011		2012		2013													
Region	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY
Coast	507	602	613	634	630	674	633	636	711	602	725	644	559	710	675	711	755	738
Inland	330	348	360	386	354	384	373	351	415	353	429	376	345	399	383	398	389	398
Cal. Redwood	15	32	34	39	42	39	45	44	40	37	46	29	30	48	45	46	41	39
Total West	851	981	1,007	1,059	1,026	1,097	1,051	1,031	1,167	991	1,200	1,049	934	1,156	1,103	1,155	1,185	1,176
South	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	1,325	1,193	1,197	1,268	1,242
Other	104	76	76	80	80	83	78	80	86	74	89	77	70	88	81	83	86	85
Total U.S.	1,957	2,240	2,223	2,357	2,355	2,435	2,284	2,345	2,517	2,156	2,603	2,258	2,064	2,569	2,377	2,435	2,539	2,502
British Columbia	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	1,057	1,167	1,116
Prairies & Eastern Canada	684	819	875	929	900	930	918	790	914	977	1,061	988	782	943	973	1,035	1,071	1,022
Total Canada	1,552	1,856	1,938	2,030	1,945	1,975	1,961	1,810	1,946	1,942	2,150	2,017	1,621	2,034	2,033	2,092	2,239	2,138
Total North America	3,509	4,096	4,161	4,386	4,300	4,411	4,245	4,155	4,463	4,098	4,752	4,275	3,685	4,603	4,410	4,527	4,778	4,640

Estimated North American Shipments (million board feet)

Estimated North American Shipments (in thousands of tons)																		
	2011		2012		2013													
Region	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY
Coast	541	577	606	620	624	679	644	647	709	570	722	660	562	674	657	719	732	721
Inland	337	332	355	380	369	395	364	364	406	345	408	374	341	422	386	395	388	382
Cal. Redwood	30	31	28	35	36	39	44	42	36	38	42	34	34	40	45	43	48	48
Total West	908	939	989	1,035	1,030	1,113	1,052	1,052	1,151	952	1,173	1,069	938	1,137	1,088	1,157	1,168	1,151
South	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	1,325	1,193	1,197	1,268	1,242
Other	108	75	75	79	80	84	78	81	85	72	88	78	71	87	81	83	85	84
Total U.S.	2,017	2,197	2,205	2,331	2,359	2,452	2,285	2,367	2,501	2,115	2,574	2,278	2,069	2,549	2,361	2,437	2,521	2,477
British Columbia	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	1,039	1,152	1,079
Prairies & Eastern Canada	632	756	782	814	871	899	845	902	864	849	973	892	737	849	817	855	938	949
Total Canada	1,594	1,722	1,831	1,906	1,895	1,929	1,903	1,960	1,896	1,783	2,103	1,910	1,583	1,805	1,846	1,894	2,090	2,028
Total North America	3,611	3,919	4,036	4,237	4,255	4,380	4,187	4,327	4,398	3,899	4,677	4,189	3,652	4,354	4,207	4,331	4,611	4,505

Estimated U.S. Orders (million board feet)

	2011		2012												2013				
Region	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	
Coast	537	592	595	620	612	692	647	651	694	599	712	650	563	689	651	736	739	721	
Inland	345	347	347	365	384	382	372	377	398	359	416	377	368	421	370	386	376	385	
Cal. Redwood	23	29	30	33	39	40	42	35	38	35	46	36	42	42	41	41	51	48	
Total West	905	967	972	1,018	1,035	1,115	1,060	1,063	1,130	992	1,174	1,064	973	1,151	1,063	1,164	1,166	1,154	
South	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	1,325	1,193	1,197	1,268	1,242	
Other	108	76	75	79	81	84	78	81	85	74	88	78	72	87	80	83	85	84	
Total U.S.	2,014	2,226	2,187	2,314	2,365	2,453	2,294	2,378	2,479	2,156	2,576	2,273	2,105	2,563	2,335	2,444	2,519	2,479	

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

	2011	2012													2013					
Region	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY		
Coast	226	241	230	230	221	234	237	241	226	255	245	231	232	250	242	261	268	266		
Inland	206	221	219	206	221	208	216	229	220	230	238	240	227	223	206	197	185	187		
Cal. Redwood	32	28	31	29	32	33	31	25	28	25	29	31	39	43	41	37	40	40		
Total West	463	490	479	465	474	476	485	496	475	511	512	503	498	516	489	495	493	493		
South	669	673	673	673	673	673	673	673	673	673	673	673	673	714	714	714	714	714		
Other	68	53	52	52	52	52	52	53	52	53	53	53	54	55	54	54	54	54		
Total U.S.	1,200	1,216	1,205	1,190	1,199	1,201	1,210	1,221	1,200	1,237	1,239	1,229	1,225	1,285	1,257	1,263	1,261	1,261		

Estimated North American Inventories (million board feet)

	2011	2012	2013															
Region	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY
Coast	572	588	595	610	616	611	601	590	595	618	624	598	597	636	655	651	674	690
Inland	481	477	486	489	474	463	471	460	470	479	502	503	505	481	480	483	481	506
Cal. Redwood	160	159	165	170	176	176	177	180	183	182	188	180	174	173	173	175	168	160
Total West	1,213	1,224	1,246	1,270	1,266	1,250	1,249	1,230	1,248	1,279	1,314	1,281	1,277	1,290	1,307	1,309	1,324	1,356
South	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	1,572	1,572	1,572	1,572	1,572
Other	154	127	128	129	129	128	128	128	128	129	130	130	130	130	131	131	132	132
Total U.S.	2,726	2,833	2,856	2,881	2,877	2,860	2,859	2,839	2,858	2,890	2,926	2,892	2,888	2,992	3,010	3,011	3,028	3,061
British Columbia	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	1,117	1,112	1,122
Prairies & Eastern Canada	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	1,753	1,807	1,824
Total Canada	2,510	2,612	2,672	2,698	2,676	2,655	2,659	2,479	2,449	2,542	2,512	2,504	2,490	2,693	2,805	2,869	2,919	2,945
Total North America	5,236	5,445	5,528	5,579	5,553	5,515	5,519	5,319	5,307	5,432	5,438	5,397	5,378	5,686	5,815	5,881	5,947	6,006