



Lumber Track

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

Production	Full Year	12 months YTD											
	2020	2021	2020	% Chg	Dec-21	Nov-21	Dec-20	M to M %	Y to Y%	4th Qtr 21	4th Qtr 20	% Chg	
	West	14,453	14,548	14,453	0.7	1,118	1,149	1,224	-2.7	-8.6	3,469	3,652	-5.0
	South	20,793	20,932	20,793	0.7	1,692	1,561	1,802	8.4	-6.1	5,044	5,273	-4.3
	Other	1,661	1,672	1,661	0.7	132	128	143	3.7	-7.1	401	421	-4.6
Total	36,907	37,153	36,907	0.7	2,943	2,837	3,168	3.7	-7.1	8,915	9,345	-4.6	

Shipments

West	14,550	14,466	14,550	-0.6	1,121	1,160	1,212	-3.3	-7.5	3,514	3,559	-1.3
South	20,793	20,932	20,793	0.7	1,692	1,561	1,802	8.4	-6.1	5,044	5,273	-4.3
Other	1,666	1,668	1,666	0.2	133	128	142	3.4	-6.7	403	416	-3.1
Total	37,009	37,066	37,009	0.2	2,946	2,849	3,156	3.4	-6.7	8,961	9,249	-3.1

New Orders

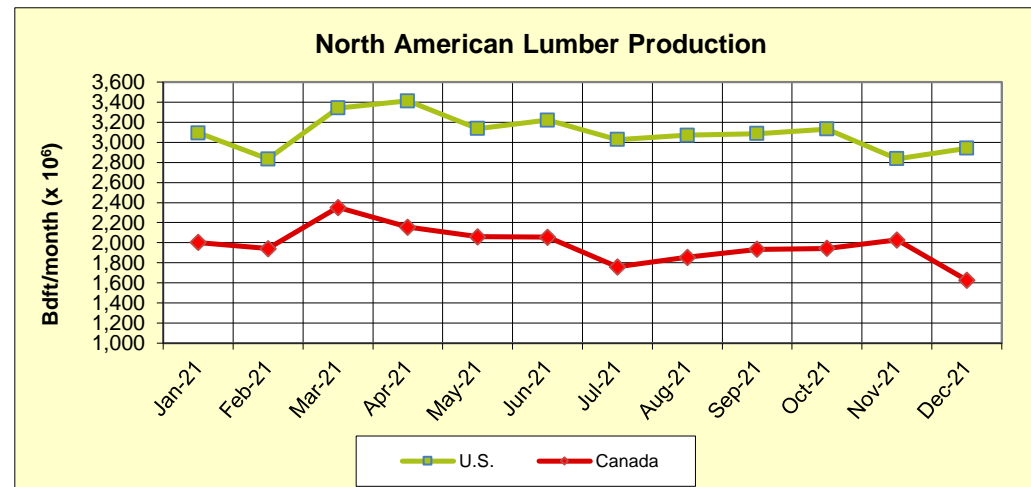
West	14,546	14,485	14,546	-0.4	1,111	1,143	1,245	-2.8	-10.7	3,469	3,606	-3.8
South	20,793	20,932	20,793	0.7	1,692	1,561	1,802	8.4	-6.1	5,044	5,273	-4.3
Other	1,665	1,669	1,665	0.2	132	127	144	3.7	-8.0	401	418	-4.1
Total	37,005	37,086	37,005	0.2	2,935	2,832	3,190	3.7	-8.0	8,914	9,298	-4.1

Unfilled Orders

		Dec-21	Dec-20	
West	483	506	483	4.8
South	646	696	646	7.7
Other	69	70	69	1.3
Total	1,198	1,272	1,198	6.2

Inventories

		Dec-21	Dec-20	
West	1,115	1,196	1,115	7.3
South	1,697	1,697	1,697	0.0
Other	156	160	156	2.5
Total	2,968	3,054	2,968	2.9



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	12 months YTD										
	2020	2021	2020	% Chg	Dec-21	Nov-21	Dec-20	M to M %	Y to Y %	4th Qtr 21	4th Qtr 20	% Chg
British Columbia	8,921	9,255	8,921	3.8	573	753	748	-23.9	-23.5	2,079	2,344	-11.3
East of the Rockies	14,135	14,455	14,135	2.3	1,054	1,276	1,105	-17.4	-4.6	3,521	3,627	-2.9
Total	23,055	23,711	23,055	2.8	1,627	2,029	1,853	-19.8	-12.2	5,599	5,970	-6.2

Shipments

British Columbia	9,030	9,300	9,030	3.0	588	652	785	-9.7	-25.0	1,938	2,453	-21.0
East of the Rockies	13,687	13,807	13,687	0.9	1,027	1,185	1,087	-13.4	-5.5	3,388	3,488	-2.9
Total	22,717	23,106	22,717	1.7	1,615	1,837	1,871	-12.1	-13.7	5,325	5,941	-10.4

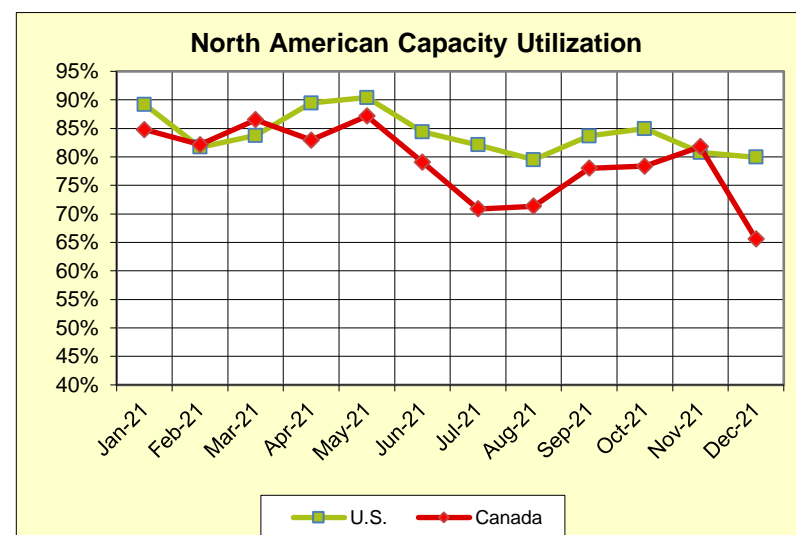
Inventories

		Dec-21	Dec-20	
British Columbia	997	1,061	997	6.4
East of the Rockies	1,726	1,906	1,726	10.4
Total	2,723	2,967	2,723	9.0

Source: Statistics Canada, Council of Forest Industries-CAN

Production as Percent of Practical Capacity

	Full Year	12 months YTD				
	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>Dec-21</u>	<u>Nov-21</u>	<u>Dec-20</u>
West	80%	81%	80%	75%	81%	78%
South	91%	87%	91%	83%	81%	91%
Total U.S.	86%	84%	86%	80%	81%	85%
British Columbia	73%	74%	73%	56%	73%	71%
East of the Rockies	82%	82%	82%	73%	88%	75%
Total Canada	78%	79%	78%	66%	82%	73%



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

Trade Statistics

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

	Full Year	12 months YTD										
	2020	2021	2020	% Chg								
From British Columbia ¹	5,588	6,126	5,588	9.6	403	462	528	-12.7	-23.7	1,341	1,656	-19.0
East of the Rockies ¹	7,534	7,573	7,534	0.5	590	689	630	-14.3	-6.3	1,980	1,932	2.5
Total Canadian Imports ¹	13,122	13,699	13,122	4.4	993	1,150	1,158	-13.7	-14.3	3,322	3,588	-7.4
From Canada ²	13,078	13,687	13,078	4.7	992	1,148	1,157	-13.6	-14.3	3,318	3,585	-7.4
From Latin America ²	479	475	479	-0.8	40	33	52	21.8	-23.0	116	148	-21.5
From Europe ²	1,421	1,659	1,421	16.7	171	77	188	122.6	-9.1	351	470	-25.3
Total Non-Canadian ²	2,105	2,318	2,105	10.1	225	126	259	78.5	-13.2	512	673	-23.9
Total Lumber Imports ²	15,183	16,006	15,183	5.4	1,217	1,274	1,417	-4.5	-14.1	3,830	4,261	-10.1

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	12 months YTD										
	2020	2021	2020	% Chg								
To Canada	287	374	287	30.4	24	23	25	5.9	-4.7	76	69	10.3
To China	97	81	97	-16.5	4	8	5	-56.4	-28.2	21	14	49.0
To Japan	70	63	70	-10.8	6	7	4	-11.0	45.1	18	15	24.8
To Mexico	247	402	247	62.8	43	49	21	-13.1	98.8	143	71	102.1
To Other Countries	416	521	416	25.2	37	43	38	-14.5	-1.7	138	113	22.1
Total Lumber Exports	1,117	1,441	1,117	29.0	114	130	94	-12.8	21.1	396	282	40.8

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

From Canada	56	81	56	44.5	7	8	0	-4.5	1364.2	16	19	-16.7
Non-Canadian Sources	23	23	23	1.5	2	0	1	0.0	0.0	3	1	167.9
Total Log Imports	79	105	79	32.0	9	8	2	19.5	485.6	19	20	-5.9

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

To China	630	793	630	25.8	24	40	47	-39.2	-48.1	139	172	-19.1
To Japan	352	349	352	-0.8	31	26	25	22.1	25.5	88	75	17.3
To Canada	119	265	119	122.3	31	27	9	14.6	252.0	94	30	209.2
To Other Countries	129	182	129	41.1	15	15	18	1.2	-17.6	42	34	23.9
Total Log Exports	1,230	1,588	1,230	29.1	102	108	99	-5.3	3.3	363	311	16.7

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	13,699	13,122	4.4	993	1,150	1,158	-13.7	-14.3	3,322	3,588	-7.4
To China	1,240	706	1,240	-43.1	54	85	94	-36.3	-41.8	239	250	-4.4
To Japan	581	588	581	1.2	32	51	52	-37.7	-39.5	128	146	-12.9
Other	493	636	493	29.0	44	44	51	-0.6	-13.2	139	130	7.0
Total Lumber Exports	15,437	15,630	15,437	1.2	1,123	1,331	1,355	-15.6	-17.1	3,827	4,114	-7.0

Sources: Statistics Canada, Council of Forest Industries-CAN

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

	Full Year	12 months YTD										
	2020	2021	2020	% Chg								
Lumber Shipments	37,009	37,066	37,009	0.2	2,946	2,849	3,156	3.4	-6.7	8,961	9,249	-3.1
Plus Imports	15,183	16,006	15,183	5.4	1,217	1,274	1,417	-4.5	-14.1	3,830	4,261	-10.1
Minus Exports	(1,117)	(1,441)	(1,117)	29.0	(114)	(130)	(94)	-12.8	21.1	(396)	(282)	40.8
Apparent Consumption	51,075	51,631	51,075	1.1	4,050	3,993	4,479	1.4	-9.6	12,395	13,228	-6.3

Canadian Softwood Lumber Consumption (million board feet)

	Full Year	12 months YTD										
	2020	2021	2020	% Chg								
Lumber Shipments	22,717	23,106	22,717	1.7	1,615	1,837	1,871	-12.1	-13.7	5,325	5,941	-10.4
Plus Imports	310	404	310	30.4	26	25	27	5.9	-4.7	82	74	10.3
Minus Exports	(15,437)	(15,630)	(15,437)	1.2	(1,123)	(1,331)	(1,355)	-15.6	-17.1	(3,827)	(4,114)	-7.0
Apparent Consumption	7,589	7,880	7,589	3.8	518	531	544	-2.3	-4.7	1,580	1,901	-16.9



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Estimated North American Production (million board feet)

Region	2020						2021											
	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
Coast	793	756	723	793	702	762	744	733	832	819	772	789	727	716	728	758	714	684
Inland	435	425	424	439	368	404	411	405	470	434	391	427	367	385	372	390	381	374
Cal. Coast	74	57	60	68	58	58	60	67	72	71	56	66	58	53	56	54	53	60
Total West	1,302	1,238	1,207	1,301	1,128	1,224	1,215	1,205	1,373	1,324	1,219	1,282	1,152	1,154	1,156	1,202	1,149	1,118
South	1,896	1,727	1,690	1,840	1,631	1,802	1,741	1,503	1,820	1,936	1,778	1,795	1,741	1,781	1,793	1,791	1,561	1,692
Other	151	140	137	148	130	143	139	128	150	154	141	145	136	138	139	141	128	132
Total U.S.	3,349	3,105	3,033	3,289	2,889	3,168	3,095	2,835	3,343	3,414	3,138	3,222	3,029	3,073	3,088	3,134	2,837	2,943
British Columbia	777	800	845	836	760	748	819	737	918	881	820	814	751	704	732	754	753	573
Prairies & Eastern Canada	1,094	1,146	1,284	1,263	1,259	1,105	1,184	1,203	1,432	1,275	1,239	1,241	1,007	1,150	1,203	1,190	1,276	1,054
Total Canada	1,871	1,946	2,129	2,099	2,019	1,853	2,003	1,940	2,351	2,156	2,059	2,056	1,758	1,854	1,935	1,944	2,029	1,627
Total North America	5,220	5,051	5,162	5,387	4,907	5,021	5,099	4,775	5,694	5,569	5,197	5,278	4,788	4,927	5,023	5,078	4,866	4,569

Estimated North American Shipments (million board feet)

Region	2020						2021											
	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
Coast	813	746	736	763	695	766	724	694	820	821	762	788	672	745	768	776	718	704
Inland	464	442	424	417	356	390	392	389	469	444	413	410	336	367	385	402	389	365
Cal. Coast	75	66	59	61	54	56	55	67	72	66	54	67	61	53	60	55	53	52
Total West	1,351	1,254	1,220	1,241	1,106	1,212	1,171	1,150	1,361	1,331	1,229	1,265	1,068	1,165	1,213	1,233	1,160	1,121
South	1,896	1,727	1,690	1,840	1,631	1,802	1,741	1,503	1,820	1,936	1,778	1,795	1,741	1,781	1,793	1,791	1,561	1,692
Other	153	140	137	145	129	142	137	125	150	154	142	144	132	139	142	142	128	133
Total U.S.	3,400	3,122	3,047	3,227	2,866	3,156	3,049	2,778	3,331	3,421	3,149	3,204	2,941	3,084	3,148	3,166	2,849	2,946
British Columbia	770	796	842	872	797	785	829	717	909	939	883	861	731	751	742	697	652	588
Prairies & Eastern Canada	1,137	1,123	1,198	1,173	1,229	1,087	1,095	1,097	1,270	1,288	1,188	1,134	1,020	1,106	1,223	1,176	1,185	1,027
Total Canada	1,907	1,919	2,040	2,045	2,025	1,871	1,924	1,814	2,179	2,226	2,071	1,994	1,751	1,857	1,966	1,874	1,837	1,615
Total North America	5,308	5,041	5,087	5,271	4,891	5,028	4,973	4,592	5,510	5,647	5,220	5,198	4,692	4,941	5,113	5,040	4,685	4,561

Estimated U.S. Orders (million board feet)

Region	2020						2021											
	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
Coast	820	751	732	766	716	754	726	692	828	814	769	831	697	716	751	759	707	699
Inland	442	455	407	408	356	435	397	391	483	439	380	404	358	413	373	400	382	363
Cal. Coast	75	66	59	61	54	56	55	67	72	66	55	67	61	54	60	56	54	49
Total West	1,337	1,271	1,198	1,235	1,127	1,245	1,178	1,150	1,383	1,319	1,204	1,302	1,115	1,182	1,183	1,215	1,143	1,111
South	1,896	1,727	1,690	1,840	1,631	1,802	1,741	1,503	1,820	1,936	1,778	1,795	1,741	1,781	1,793	1,791	1,561	1,692
Other	152	141	136	145	130	144	138	125	151	153	141	146	135	140	140	142	127	132
Total U.S.	3,385	3,139	3,024	3,220	2,888	3,190	3,056	2,778	3,354	3,408	3,122	3,243	2,991	3,103	3,116	3,147	2,832	2,935

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

Region	2020						2021											
	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
Coast	221	225	221	224	244	232	238	236	243	236	244	288	312	283	266	250	239	234
Inland	186	199	182	172	173	218	223	225	239	234	201	195	217	263	251	249	242	239
Cal. Coast	34	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	33	34	33	34	35	32
Total West	440	457	436	429	450	483	494	494	515	503	478	515	563	580	551	532	516	506
South	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	696	696	696
Other	67	68	67	67	68	69	70	70	71	70	69	71	73	74	72	71	71	70
Total U.S.	1,154	1,171	1,149	1,142	1,164	1,198	1,210	1,210	1,232	1,219	1,193	1,232	1,282	1,300	1,269	1,300	1,283	1,272

Estimated North American Inventories (million board feet)

Region	2020						2021											
	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
Coast	504	514	501	531	538	533	553	592	603	601	610	611	667	638	598	580	577	557
Inland	458	442	441	463	475	489	508	523	524	514	492	509	541	559	545	534	526	535
Cal. Coast	89	80	80	88	91	93	98	98	98	103	105	104	101	101	97	96	97	104
Total West	1,052	1,036	1,022	1,082	1,103	1,115	1,159	1,213	1,225	1,218	1,207	1,224	1,309	1,298	1,241	1,210	1,199	1,196
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	153	153	152	155	156	156	158	161	161	161	161	161	165	165	162	161	160	160
Total U.S.	2,902	2,885	2,871	2,933	2,956	2,968	3,014	3,071	3,083	3,076	3,065	3,083	3,171	3,160	3,100	3,068	3,057	3,054
British Columbia	1,126	1,120	1,107	1,070	1,027	997	997	1,039	1,057	1,013	971	934	955	914	907	960	1,076	1,061
Prairies & Eastern Canada	1,719	1,681	1,714	1,736	1,736	1,726	1,751	1,866	1,970	1,925	1,924	1,978	1,919	1,945	1,883	1,868	1,926	1,906
Total Canada	2,845	2,801	2,821	2,806	2,762	2,723	2,749	2,905	3,027	2,938	2,896	2,912	2,874	2,859	2,790	2,828	3,002	2,967
Total North America	5,747	5,687	5,693	5,740	5,719	5,691	5,763	5,976	6,111	6,014	5,960	5,995	6,045	6,019	5,890	5,896	6,058	6,021