



Lumber Track

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

Production	Full Year	6 months YTD										
	2019	2020	2019	% Chg	Jun-20	May-20	Jun-19	M to M %	Y to Y%	2nd Qtr 20	2nd Qtr 19	% Chg
West	14,254	6,994	7,173	-2.5	1,264	1,085	1,141	16.5	10.8	3,395	3,630	-6.5
South	19,365	10,167	9,647	5.4	1,690	1,604	1,606	5.4	5.2	5,026	4,913	2.3
Other	1,546	789	773	2.0	136	124	126	9.9	7.5	387	393	-1.4
Total	35,165	17,950	17,594	2.0	3,090	2,813	2,874	9.9	7.5	8,808	8,936	-1.4

Shipments

West	14,287	7,150	7,242	-1.3	1,300	1,130	1,166	15.0	11.4	3,534	3,791	-6.8
South	19,365	10,167	9,647	5.4	1,690	1,604	1,606	5.4	5.2	5,026	4,913	2.3
Other	1,548	796	777	2.5	137	126	127	9.3	7.8	394	400	-1.6
Total	35,199	18,113	17,666	2.5	3,127	2,860	2,900	9.3	7.8	8,954	9,104	-1.6

New Orders

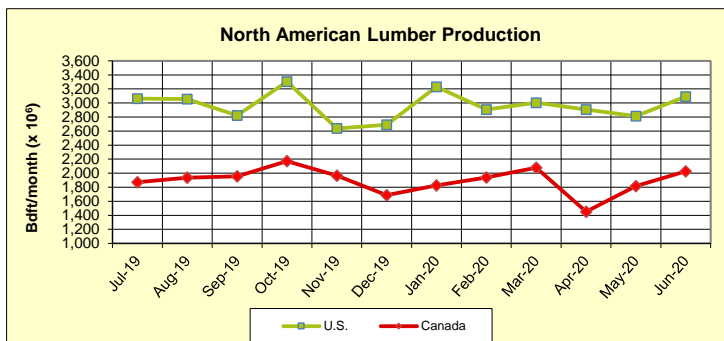
West	14,253	7,119	7,191	-1.0	1,280	1,125	1,190	13.7	7.5	3,518	3,776	-6.8
South	19,365	10,167	9,647	5.4	1,690	1,604	1,606	5.4	5.2	5,026	4,913	2.3
Other	1,546	795	774	2.7	137	126	129	8.8	6.2	393	400	-1.7
Total	35,164	18,081	17,613	2.7	3,106	2,855	2,925	8.8	6.2	8,937	9,088	-1.7

Unfilled Orders

	Jun-20	Jun-19	% Chg
West	476	455	-1.0
South	646	646	0.0
Other	70	68	-0.9
Total	1,192	1,169	-0.4

Inventories

	Jun-20	Jun-19	% Chg
West	1,249	1,097	-9.5
South	1,697	1,697	0.0
Other	161	154	-3.4
Total	3,107	2,948	-3.9



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	6 months YTD										
	2019	2020	2019	% Chg	Jun-20	May-20	Jun-19	M to M %	Y to Y %	2nd Qtr 20	2nd Qtr 19	% Chg
British Columbia	9,847	4,154	5,324	-22.0	788	677	821	16.6	-3.9	1,901	2,640	-28.0
East of the Rockies	14,585	6,985	7,525	-7.2	1,239	1,140	1,200	8.7	3.2	3,394	3,827	-11.3
Total	24,432	11,139	12,849	-13.3	2,027	1,816	2,020	11.6	0.3	5,295	6,467	-18.1

Shipments

British Columbia	10,026	4,169	5,428	-23.2	711	564	861	26.1	-17.4	1,998	2,786	-28.3
East of the Rockies	14,139	6,740	7,252	-7.1	1,271	1,145	1,292	11.0	-1.6	3,461	3,816	-9.3
Total	24,166	10,909	12,680	-14.0	1,982	1,709	2,153	16.0	-7.9	5,459	6,602	-17.3

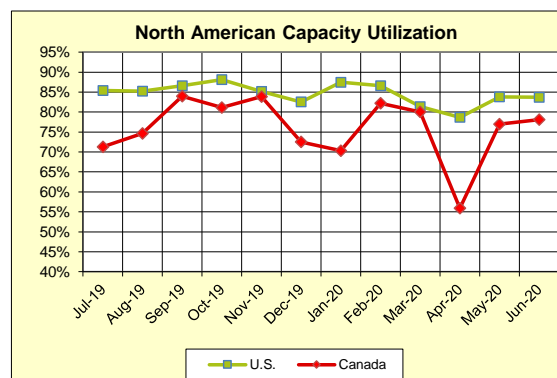
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	Jun-20	Jun-19	% Chg
British Columbia	1,093	1,089	-12.1
East of the Rockies	1,993	1,836	-9.2
Total	3,086	2,924	-10.3

Source: Statistics Canada, Council of Forest Industries-CAN

Production as Percent of Practical Capacity

	Full Year	6 months YTD					
	2019	2020	2019	Jun-20	May-20	Jun-19	
West	81%	80%	81%	84%	79%	83%	
South	89%	87%	88%	84%	88%	93%	
Total U.S.	85%	84%	84%	84%	84%	88%	
British Columbia	74%	64%	75%	70%	66%	75%	
East of the Rockies	85%	81%	88%	84%	85%	89%	
Total Canada	80%	74%	82%	78%	77%	82%	



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

Trade Statistics

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

	Full Year	6 months YTD										
	2019	2020	2019	% Chg								
From British Columbia ¹	5,576	2,356	2,924	-19.4	414	316	497	30.8	-16.8	1,147	1,668	-31.2
East of the Rockies ¹	7,496	3,664	3,790	-3.3	610	602	657	1.4	-7.1	1,828	2,061	-11.3
Total Canadian Imports ¹	13,072	6,020	6,715	-10.3	1,024	918	1,154	11.5	-11.3	2,975	3,729	-20.2
From Canada ²	13,045	6,011	6,695	-10.2	1,022	917	1,151	11.5	-11.2	2,970	3,719	-20.1
From Latin America ²	391	210	206	1.9	43	43	27	-0.3	60.1	119	99	20.1
From Europe ²	937	637	449	41.9	100	118	79	-15.3	25.3	341	253	35.2
Total Non-Canadian ²	1,505	942	739	27.4	158	178	119	-11.0	33.0	508	385	32.0
Total Lumber Imports ²	14,551	6,952	7,434	-6.5	1,180	1,095	1,270	7.8	-7.1	3,479	4,114	-15.4

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	6 months YTD										
	2019	2020	2019	% Chg								
To Canada	303	146	162	-9.8	25	27	25	-7.1	0.4	78	83	-6.6
To China	116	64	69	-7.0	15	12	7	21.0	121.1	40	33	22.2
To Japan	94	42	49	-14.4	7	7	7	-6.8	-0.9	22	24	-9.2
To Mexico	277	112	136	-17.3	17	13	21	35.3	-18.2	41	65	-37.0
To Other Countries	536	209	273	-23.5	26	26	52	-0.3	-50.2	75	143	-47.5
Total Lumber Exports	1,325	573	688	-16.8	90	85	112	5.3	-19.4	256	348	-26.6

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

From Canada	77	26	33	-21.3	8	1	5	661.2	58.1	11	14	-24.5
Non-Canadian Sources	20	17	11	60.0	5	3	0	87.9	0.0	11	5	98.7
Total Log Imports	97	43	44	-1.7	13	4	5	262.1	144.8	22	20	9.7

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

To China	652	365	382	-4.6	185	85	94	117.1	97.3	308	226	36.4
To Japan	345	195	176	11.1	30	28	32	6.5	-7.5	85	81	4.6
To Canada	137	70	72	-2.8	17	5	8	247.6	110.9	25	24	5.4
To Other Countries	161	(43)	67	-164.0	(81)	5	17	-1761.0	-592.7	(69)	36	-291.9
Total Log Exports	1,294	587	697	-15.8	150	123	151	22.3	-0.1	349	367	-4.8

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

Canadian Softwood Lumber Exports (million board feet)

To U.S.	13,072	6,020	6,715	-10.3	1,024	918	1,154	11.5	-11.3	2,975	3,729	-20.2
To China	1,940	732	1,179	-37.9	138	172	174	-19.6	-20.9	455	554	-17.8
To Japan	775	317	388	-18.3	58	62	74	-6.6	-22.1	179	198	-9.3
Other	584	263	316	-16.6	42	47	54	-10.3	-21.7	138	167	-17.3
Total Lumber Exports	16,372	7,332	8,597	-14.7	1,262	1,199	1,457	5.3	-13.4	3,748	4,648	-19.4

Sources: Statistics Canada, Council of Forest Industries-CAN

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

	Full Year	6 months YTD										
	2019	2020	2019	% Chg								
Lumber Shipments	35,199	18,113	17,666	2.5	3,127	2,860	2,900	9.3	7.8	8,954	9,104	-1.6
Plus Imports	14,551	6,952	7,434	-6.5	1,180	1,095	1,270	7.8	-7.1	3,479	4,114	-15.4
Minus Exports	(1,325)	(573)	(688)	-16.8	(90)	(85)	(112)	5.3	-19.4	(256)	(348)	-26.6
Apparent Consumption	48,425	24,493	24,413	0.3	4,217	3,869	4,058	9.0	3.9	12,177	12,869	-5.4

Canadian Softwood Lumber Consumption (million board feet)

	Full Year	6 months YTD										
	2019	2020	2019	% Chg								
Lumber Shipments	24,166	10,909	12,680	-14.0	1,982	1,709	2,153	16.0	-7.9	5,459	6,602	-17.3
Plus Imports	327	158	175	-9.8	27	29	27	-7.1	0.4	84	90	-6.6
Minus Exports	(16,372)	(7,332)	(8,597)	-14.7	(1,262)	(1,199)	(1,457)	5.3	-13.4	(3,748)	(4,648)	-19.4
Apparent Consumption	8,121	3,735	4,257	-12.3	748	540	724	38.5	3.4	1,795	2,044	-12.2



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Estimated North American Production (million board feet)

	2019												2020					
Region	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN
Coast	788	685	724	791	766	707	738	750	690	799	673	697	752	709	759	658	669	780
Inland	427	364	395	412	402	378	402	420	391	444	368	379	441	384	409	360	370	422
Cal. Coast	52	51	57	53	64	56	55	55	61	60	49	50	47	51	45	28	46	62
Total West	1,267	1,100	1,176	1,256	1,232	1,141	1,195	1,226	1,142	1,303	1,089	1,126	1,241	1,144	1,214	1,046	1,085	1,264
South	1,729	1,475	1,530	1,692	1,615	1,606	1,732	1,696	1,557	1,855	1,432	1,446	1,847	1,635	1,659	1,732	1,604	1,690
Other	138	118	124	136	131	126	135	134	124	145	116	118	142	128	132	128	124	136
Total U.S.	3,134	2,694	2,830	3,084	2,978	2,874	3,061	3,056	2,823	3,304	2,637	2,690	3,230	2,907	3,005	2,906	2,813	3,090
British Columbia	923	803	958	903	916	821	780	784	738	835	746	641	699	762	792	436	677	788
Prairies & Eastern Canada	1,228	1,130	1,340	1,303	1,324	1,200	1,091	1,151	1,216	1,336	1,219	1,046	1,127	1,178	1,286	1,016	1,140	1,239
Total Canada	2,151	1,933	2,299	2,206	2,240	2,020	1,871	1,935	1,954	2,171	1,966	1,687	1,826	1,940	2,078	1,452	1,816	2,027
Total North America	5,285	4,627	5,128	5,290	5,218	4,894	4,932	4,991	4,777	5,474	4,603	4,378	5,056	4,847	5,083	4,358	4,629	5,117

Estimated North American Shipments (million board feet)

	2019												2020					
Region	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN
Coast	775	638	753	782	835	715	743	770	694	796	664	669	754	709	755	678	691	789
Inland	422	349	371	438	448	401	409	420	390	431	362	362	434	399	407	375	388	440
Cal. Coast	48	43	53	56	65	50	60	58	56	62	50	49	53	51	54	51	51	70
Total West	1,246	1,030	1,177	1,276	1,348	1,166	1,212	1,249	1,140	1,289	1,075	1,080	1,241	1,159	1,215	1,104	1,130	1,300
South	1,729	1,475	1,530	1,692	1,615	1,606	1,732	1,696	1,557	1,855	1,432	1,446	1,847	1,635	1,659	1,732	1,604	1,690
Other	137	115	124	136	136	127	135	135	124	145	115	116	142	128	132	130	126	137
Total U.S.	3,111	2,620	2,831	3,104	3,100	2,900	3,079	3,080	2,821	3,288	2,622	2,643	3,230	2,923	3,007	2,967	2,860	3,127
British Columbia	889	778	975	957	968	861	786	802	812	819	683	696	662	698	810	723	564	711
Prairies & Eastern Canada	1,191	1,074	1,170	1,230	1,294	1,292	1,148	1,197	1,209	1,239	1,081	1,013	1,133	1,019	1,127	1,045	1,145	1,271
Total Canada	2,080	1,853	2,145	2,187	2,262	2,153	1,934	1,999	2,021	2,059	1,764	1,709	1,794	1,718	1,938	1,768	1,709	1,982
Total North America	5,191	4,473	4,977	5,291	5,362	5,053	5,013	5,079	4,842	5,347	4,387	4,352	5,025	4,640	4,944	4,735	4,569	5,109

Estimated U.S. Orders (million board feet)

	2019												2020					
Region	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN
Coast	745	650	736	779	828	706	755	753	692	801	673	673	762	694	769	676	669	782
Inland	438	329	374	436	421	433	393	423	392	438	353	383	449	378	389	385	406	427
Cal. Coast	48	44	52	56	64	51	59	58	56	62	49	49	53	52	55	53	51	71
Total West	1,230	1,022	1,163	1,271	1,314	1,190	1,208	1,234	1,140	1,301	1,075	1,105	1,265	1,123	1,213	1,113	1,125	1,280
South	1,729	1,475	1,530	1,692	1,615	1,606	1,732	1,696	1,557	1,855	1,432	1,446	1,847	1,635	1,659	1,732	1,604	1,690
Other	136	115	124	136	135	129	135	135	124	145	115	117	143	127	132	131	126	137
Total U.S.	3,096	2,612	2,817	3,100	3,064	2,925	3,075	3,064	2,821	3,301	2,622	2,668	3,255	2,885	3,004	2,976	2,855	3,106

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

	2019												2020					
Region	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN
Coast	249	262	245	242	235	227	239	222	219	224	233	236	246	230	244	243	221	213
Inland	215	195	198	196	169	201	186	189	190	197	188	209	233	212	194	204	221	208
Cal. Coast	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	30	31	31	31	31	31	31	32	33	33	33
Total West	495	488	474	470	435	459	456	440	440	452	452	476	509	473	470	479	475	455
South	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	646	646
Other	70	70	69	69	68	69	69	68	68	68	68	70	71	69	69	69	69	68
Total U.S.	1,211	1,204	1,189	1,185	1,149	1,174	1,170	1,154	1,154	1,167	1,166	1,192	1,226	1,188	1,185	1,195	1,190	1,169

Estimated North American Inventories (million board feet)

	2019												2020					
Region	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN
Coast	617	664	635	644	575	566	561	541	537	541	550	578	577	578	582	562	540	531
Inland	574	589	613	587	541	518	511	511	513	525	531	548	558	543	546	530	513	495
Cal. Coast	113	121	126	123	122	129	123	120	125	123	122	123	117	117	108	85	80	72
Total West	1,304	1,374	1,373	1,354	1,238	1,213	1,195	1,172	1,175	1,189	1,204	1,249	1,252	1,238	1,236	1,178	1,133	1,097
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	163	167	167	166	160	159	158	157	157	158	159	161	161	160	160	158	155	154
Total U.S.	3,164	3,238	3,237	3,217	3,095	3,069	3,051	3,027	3,029	3,045	3,059	3,107	3,110	3,095	3,093	3,032	2,985	2,948
British Columbia	1,344	1,333	1,346	1,303	1,259	1,239	1,211	1,196	1,134	1,171	1,194	1,093	1,036	1,102	1,123	867	1,007	1,089
Prairies & Eastern Canada	1,931	1,962	2,126	2,115	2,139	2,022	1,907	1,839	1,809	1,880	1,965	1,993	1,785	1,897	2,013	1,925	1,909	1,836
Total Canada	3,275	3,295	3,473	3,418	3,398	3,261	3,118	3,035	2,942	3,051	3,159	3,086	2,821	2,999	3,136	2,792	2,916	2,924
Total North America	6,439	6,533	6,709	6,635	6,493	6,330	6,169	6,061	5,972	6,095	6,218	6,193	5,931	6,094	6,229	5,824	5,901	5,872