

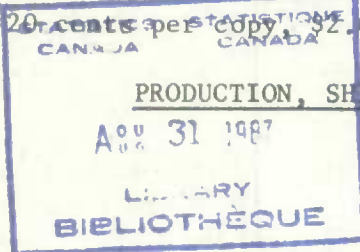


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PRODUCTION, SHIPMENTS AND STOCKS ON HAND OF SAWMILLSIN BRITISH COLUMBIAJuly, 1960

Production of sawn lumber and ties in British Columbia totalled 395,443 M ft. in July, 1960 as compared with 302,088 M ft. in July, 1959 an increase of 30.9 p.c. over the previous year but a decrease of 19.6 p.c. from the previous month. Production of Coast mills, which accounts for 40.3 p.c. of the total, showed an increase of 222.7 p.c. over the same month of the previous year, while the Interior mills, which produced the remaining 59.7 p.c. showed a decrease of 6.6 p.c. Shipments in July, 1960 totalled 381,079 M ft., as compared with 323,835 M ft. the previous year, an increase of 17.7 p.c. with Coast mills registering an increase of 105.5 p.c. and Interior mills a decrease of 10.8 p.c. Total shipments for July decreased by 22.3 p.c. from the June figure of 490,327 M ft. Stocks on hand at the end of July, 1960 amounted to 713,508 M ft., as compared with 485,191 M ft. at the end of July the previous year and 689,652 M ft. at the end of June of this year. Coast mills reported stocks totalling 365,179 M ft., while Interior mills showed 348,329 M ft.

Summary Figures

Table 1 gives a comparative summary of production, shipments and stocks of sawn lumber and ties for all British Columbia sawmills for June and July 1959 and 1960. Details by species are given for production and stocks while shipments are shown by destination. Total production decreased from 498,140 M ft. in June, 1959 to 302,088 M ft. in July, 1959, and from 491,887 M ft. in June to 395,443 M ft. in July, 1960. Shipments totalled 490,327 M ft. in June, 1960 and 381,079 M ft. in July, 1960 as compared with 525,844 M ft. in June, 1959 and 323,835 M ft. in July of 1959. Stocks on hand at sawmills decreased from 517,844 M ft. in June, 1959 to 485,191 M ft. in July, 1959 but increased from 689,652 M ft. in June, 1960 to 713,508 M ft. in July of this year.

Production

Table 2 gives particulars of lumber and tie production for Coast mills and Interior mills separately, and also shows separately the production of lumber and ties, by species. Production of sawn lumber in Coast mills amounted to 159,081 M ft. in July, 1960 as compared with 234,018 M ft. reported by Interior mills. Sawn tie production of Coast mills was 454 M ft. in July as compared with 1,890 M ft. for Interior. Coast mills accounted for 40.3 p.c. of the total production of sawn lumber and ties in July, 1960 as compared with 16.4 p.c. the previous year. The percentages of Coast mills during June, 1960 and 1959 respectively, were 51.2 and 50.3 p.c.

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Shipments

Table 3 gives details of lumber and tie shipments, by months, for Coast mills and Interior mills separately. Shipments by truck, by rail and waterborne are shown for each Canadian province, to points in the United States, to the United Kingdom and to other countries, for all mills reporting. Total estimated shipments of non-reporting mills are also given. It is to be noted, however, that some lumber originally reported as having been shipped to points in British Columbia may have been re-shipped to other provinces or exported by the purchasers and reported by them also, thereby causing a certain amount of duplication.

Shipments of Coast mills amounted to 163,303 M ft. in July of 1960 and 252,065 M ft. in June, 1960 as compared with 79,463 M ft. in July, 1959 and 277,320 M ft. in the previous month, while the Interior mills shipped 217,776 M ft. and 244,372 M ft. in July, 1960 and 1959 and 238,262 M ft. and 248,524 M ft. in June, 1960 and 1959. Of all shipments actually reported for July, 1960, 40.2 p.c. went to points in Canada, 43 p.c. to points in United States, 9.7 p.c. to the United Kingdom and 7.1 p.c. to other countries. Waterborne shipments accounted for 25 p.c. of the total, while 44.4 p.c. went by rail, and 30.6 p.c. by truck.

Stocks

Table 4 gives particulars of stocks of lumber and ties at sawmills by months. It distinguishes between stocks sold but not shipped and stocks unsold, and between stocks at Coast and Interior mills, by species. Total stocks at Coast mills in June and July, 1960 amounted to 357,361 M ft. and 365,179 M ft. as compared with 264,584 M ft. and 245,024 M ft. in June and July of 1959. Interior mills stocks decreased from 253,260 M ft. in June to 240,167 M ft. in July, 1959 but increased from 332,291 M ft. in June to 348,329 M ft. in July, 1960. Unsold stocks accounted for approximately 39.6 p.c. of the total in July, 1960 as compared with 30.2 p.c. in July, 1959 for Coast mills, while for the Interior mills the percentages were, respectively, 92.2 and 89.9.

Orders on Hand

Table 5 shows the distribution of orders on hand at the end of the months of June and July, 1959 and 1960 for Coast mills only. Similar information is not collected from Interior mills and no attempt has been made to estimate orders on hand of non-reporting mills on the Coast. Destination and mode of shipments are shown in this table, which also gives total lumber purchases reported by some mills. Total orders on hand at the end of July, 1960 amounted to 317,914 M ft. as compared with 272,816 M ft. in July, 1959. Orders on hand at the end of June, 1960 and 1959 amounted to 274,641 M ft. and 302,979 M ft., respectively. Purchases of lumber from other mills amounted to 2,709 M ft. in July, 1960 and 1,378 M ft. in July, 1959 as compared with 1,951 M ft. in June, 1960 and 12,584 M ft. in June, 1959.

Active Mills Reporting

Table 6 gives the number of active mills reporting each month for the Coast and Interior of British Columbia. The mills reporting for July accounted for 79.2 p.c. of the total production on the basis of the annual returns from 1958 compared with 79.3 p.c. for the previous year. The percentages for June, 1959 and 1960 were 79 and 80 respectively. It is hoped that the compilation will eventually include all mills in the 500,000 feet and over classification.

The co-operation of the British Columbia Lumber Manufacturers' Association, Interior Lumber Manufacturers' Association and Northern Interior Lumbermen's Association in the collection of these statistics is gratefully acknowledged.

Table 1 - Comparative Summary of Production, Shipments and Stocks of Lumber and Ties of British Columbia Sawmills, July, 1960

Species	July		June		7 months	
	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960
	M ft.	M ft.	M ft.	M ft.	M ft.	M ft.
PRODUCTION						
Douglas Fir	131,505	165,059	214,449	198,443	1,212,923	1,206,237
Hemlock	22,882	63,532	89,374	101,055	545,648	661,308
Balsam Fir	1,828	2,498	4,382	4,554	27,093	29,416
Red Cedar	12,606	40,735	52,664	58,101	296,040	357,690
Spruce	106,388	98,057	106,544	102,452	635,517	644,716
White Pine	3,915	4,770	5,332	6,048	31,932	35,272
Ponderosa Pine	3,684	3,502	4,731	4,326	24,051	22,561
Lodgepole Pine	10,239	9,644	9,633	8,998	55,704	56,553
Tamarack or Larch	8,425	7,385	8,291	7,591	41,927	41,755
All other softwoods ..	481	10	2,389	14	9,561	140
Total softwoods	301,953	395,192	497,789	491,582	2,880,396	3,055,648
Red Alder	47	42	114	91	734	456
Maple	45	149	156	159	919	1,081
Birch	35	25	43	31	202	151
Cottonwood	8	35	33	24	363	220
All other hardwoods ..	-	-	5	-	49	-
Total hardwoods	135	251	351	305	2,267	1,908
Total production ...	302,088	395,443	498,140	491,887	2,882,663	3,057,556
SHIPMENTS						
TO: Points in Canada ..	113,315	125,027	172,664	148,411	966,828	858,605
Points in U.S.A. ..	118,387	133,934	218,821	177,948	1,232,047	1,144,052
United Kingdom	9,536	30,199	22,940	45,280	144,530	275,986
Other Countries ...	6,268	21,924	33,220	45,898	191,880	228,665
Shipments reported ...	247,506	311,084	447,645	417,537	2,535,285	2,507,308
Estimated shipments of non-reporting mills .	76,329	69,995	78,199	72,790	447,695	426,867
Total shipments	323,835	381,079	525,844	490,327	2,982,980	2,934,175

	July		June	
	1959	1960	1959	1960
	M ft.	M ft.	M ft.	M ft.
STOCKS ON HAND				
Douglas Fir	169,190	220,358	171,859	215,072
Hemlock	74,429	152,707	91,609	144,209
Balsam Fir	1,068	1,667	898	3,047
Red Cedar	63,418	90,607	64,513	89,313
Spruce	141,804	195,308	154,740	189,725
White Pine	15,218	17,681	14,961	17,763
Ponderosa Pine	9,118	15,576	10,536	14,350
Lodgepole Pine	5,888	12,132	4,497	10,706
Tamarack or Larch	3,114	7,226	2,395	5,366
All other softwoods ..	1,766	83	1,824	12
Total softwoods	485,013	713,345	517,832	689,563
Red Alder	-	-	-	-
Maple	2	-	2	-
Birch	-	3	1	-
Cottonwood	176	158	9	87
All other hardwoods ..	-	2	-	2
Total hardwoods	178	163	12	89
Total Stocks	485,191	713,508	517,844	689,652

Table 2 - Lumber and Ties Sawn, July, 1960

Species	COAST MILLS			INTERIOR MILLS		
	Reported	Estimated	Total	Reported	Estimated	Total
	M ft.b.m.	M ft.b.m.	M ft.b.m.	M ft.b.m.	M ft.b.m.	M ft.b.m.
<u>Lumber</u>						
Douglas Fir	58,445	2,850	61,295	60,987	41,335	102,322
Hemlock	55,173	1,166	56,339	4,736	2,416	7,152
Balsam Fir	1,154	48	1,202	297	992	1,289
Red Cedar	34,811	766	35,577	3,337	1,821	5,158
Spruce	2,780	223	3,003	57,658	37,372	95,030
White Pine	1,444	10	1,454	2,250	1,062	3,312
Ponderosa Pine	-	-	-	2,383	1,005	3,388
Lodgepole Pine	-	10	10	3,337	5,699	9,036
Tamarack or Larch	-	-	-	3,525	3,746	7,271
All other softwoods ...	-	6	6	4	-	4
Total, softwoods ..	153,807	5,079	158,886	138,514	95,448	233,962
Red Alder	15	27	42	-	-	-
Maple	140	9	149	-	-	-
Birch	-	4	4	9	12	21
Cottonwood	-	-	-	33	2	35
All other hardwoods ...	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total, hardwoods ...	155	40	195	42	14	56
Total, softwoods and hardwoods ...	153,962	5,119	159,081	138,556	95,462	234,018
<u>Ties</u>						
Douglas Fir	403	51	454	460	528	988
Hemlock	-	-	-	23	18	41
Balsam Fir	-	-	-	-	7	7
Red Cedar	-	-	-	-	-	-
Spruce	-	-	-	-	24	24
White Pine	-	-	-	-	4	4
Ponderosa Pine	-	-	-	95	19	114
Lodgepole Pine	-	-	-	21	577	598
Tamarack or Larch	-	-	-	20	94	114
All other softwoods ...	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total, softwoods ...	403	51	454	619	1,271	1,890
Red Alder	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maple	-	-	-	-	-	-
Birch	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cottonwood	-	-	-	-	-	-
All other hardwoods ...	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total, hardwoods ...	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total, softwoods and hardwoods ...	403	51	454	619	1,271	1,890
<u>Lumber and Ties</u>	154,365	5,170	159,535	139,175	96,733	235,908

Table 3 - Shipments of Sawn Lumber and Ties, July, 1960

		By Truck and Local Sales	By Rail	Water- borne	Total Shipments
		M ft.b.m.	M ft.b.m.	M ft.b.m.	M ft.b.m.
<u>COAST MILLS</u>					
TO:	<u>Points in Canada:</u>				
	British Columbia	37,492	686	1,203	39,381
	Yukon and Northwest Territories ..	-	-	-	-
	Alberta	114	958	xxxxxxxx	1,072
	Saskatchewan	-	673	xxxxxxxx	673
	Manitoba	-	846	xxxxxxxx	846
	Ontario	31	4,102	-	4,133
	Quebec	-	1,266	-	1,266
	New Brunswick	-	85	-	85
	Nova Scotia	-	57	-	57
	Prince Edward Island	-	6	-	6
	Newfoundland	-	157	-	157
	Total for Canada	37,637	8,836	1,203	47,676
	<u>Points in U.S.A.:</u>				
	Pacific Ports	209	748	1,614	2,571
	Atlantic Ports	xxxxxxxx	3,158	22,868	26,026
	Other points	717	30,646	xxxxxxxx	31,363
	Total for U.S.A.	926	34,552	24,482	59,960
	United Kingdom	xxxxxxxx	* 24	29,974	29,998
	Other countries	xxxxxxxx	* 30	21,894	21,924
Destination or carrier not specified					
	Total shipments reported	38,563	43,442	77,553	159,558
Estimated shipments of non-reporting mills					3,745
	Total shipments, reported and estimated				163,303
<u>INTERIOR MILLS</u>					
TO:	<u>Points in Canada:</u>				
	British Columbia	42,010	7,346	-	49,356
	Yukon and Northwest Territories ..	-	-	-	-
	Alberta	3,155	3,219	xxxxxxxx	6,374
	Saskatchewan	960	3,535	xxxxxxxx	4,495
	Manitoba	447	4,060	xxxxxxxx	4,507
	Ontario	2,362	9,444	-	11,806
	Quebec	-	813	-	813
	New Brunswick	-	-	-	-
	Nova Scotia	-	-	-	-
	Prince Edward Island	-	-	-	-
	Newfoundland	-	-	-	-
	Total for Canada	48,934	28,417	-	77,351
	<u>Points in U.S.A.:</u>				
	Pacific Ports	436	227	-	663
	Atlantic Ports	xxxxxxxx	23	-	23
	Other points	7,394	65,894	xxxxxxxx	73,288
	Total for U.S.A.	7,830	66,144	-	73,974
	United Kingdom	xxxxxxxx	134	* 67	201
	Other countries	xxxxxxxx	-	-	-
Destination or carrier not specified					
	Total shipments reported	6,764	94,695	67	151,526
Estimated shipments of non-reporting mills					66,250
	Total shipments, reported and estimated				217,776

* Shipped by rail to Eastern Seaboard Port.

Table 4 - Stocks of Lumber and Ties at Sawmills, July, 1960

Species	COAST MILLS			INTERIOR MILLS		
	Reported	Estimated	Total	Reported	Estimated	Total
	M ft.b.m.	M ft.b.m.	M ft.b.m.	M ft.b.m.	M ft.b.m.	M ft.b.m.
<u>SOLD (But not shipped)</u>						
Douglas Fir	85,698	2,870	88,568	6,782	4,714	11,496
Hemlock	75,425	2,526	77,951	-	-	-
Balsam Fir	-	-	-	-	-	-
Red Cedar	45,327	1,518	46,845	-	-	-
Spruce	3,055	103	3,158	7,225	5,021	12,246
White Pine	3,978	133	4,111	487	339	826
Ponderosa Pine	-	-	-	506	352	858
Lodgepole Pine	-	-	-	935	650	1,585
Tamarack or Larch	-	-	-	-	-	-
All other softwoods ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total, softwoods ...	213,483	7,150	220,633	15,935	11,076	27,011
Red Alder	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maple	-	-	-	-	-	-
Birch	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cottonwood	-	-	-	-	-	-
All other hardwoods ..	2	-	2	-	-	-
Total, hardwoods ...	2	-	2	-	-	-
Total, softwoods and hardwoods ...	213,485	7,150	220,635	15,935	11,076	27,011
<u>UNSOLD</u>						
Douglas Fir	43,853	1,469	45,322	44,230	30,742	74,972
Hemlock	61,146	2,048	63,194	6,821	4,741	11,562
Balsam Fir	30	1	31	965	671	1,636
Red Cedar	31,473	1,054	32,527	6,628	4,607	11,235
Spruce	1,176	39	1,215	105,419	73,270	178,689
White Pine	1,802	60	1,862	6,420	4,462	10,882
Ponderosa Pine	340	12	352	8,475	5,891	14,366
Lodgepole Pine	-	-	-	6,222	4,325	10,547
Tamarack or Larch	-	-	-	4,263	2,963	7,226
All other softwoods ..	40	1	41	25	17	42
Total, softwoods ...	139,860	4,684	144,544	189,468	131,689	321,157
Red Alder	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maple	-	-	-	-	-	-
Birch	-	-	-	2	1	3
Cottonwood	-	-	-	93	65	158
All other hardwoods ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total, hardwoods ...	-	-	-	95	66	161
Total, softwoods and hardwoods ...	139,860	4,684	144,544	189,563	131,755	321,318
<u>SOLD AND UNSOLD</u>	353,345	11,834	365,179	205,498	142,831	348,329

Table 5 - Distribution of Orders on Hand at End of July, 1960 and

Lumber Purchased from Other Mills (Coast Mills Only)

	1959	July	1960	1959	June	1960
	M ft.		M ft.	M ft.		M ft.
<u>ORDERS ON HAND</u>						
<u>For shipments to points in British Columbia</u>						
Local	11,594		12,800	21,312		14,765
Coastwise and Interior	5,205		2,752	4,277		2,444
Total	16,799		15,552	25,589		17,209
<u>For shipments by rail to:</u>						
Prairie Provinces	5,181		3,294	4,947		3,476
Eastern Provinces	11,757		7,206	10,136		6,876
United States of America	38,077		37,323	41,915		33,854
Total	55,015		47,823	56,998		44,206
<u>For Waterborne shipments to:</u>						
California	-		2,258	535		1,498
U.S. Atlantic Ports	54,343		44,210	77,400		27,759
Eastern Markets	-		-	-		2,955
Export Markets	146,659		208,071	142,457		181,014
Total	201,002		254,539	220,392		213,226
TOTAL ORDERS ON HAND	272,816		317,914	302,979		274,641
LUMBER PURCHASED FROM OTHER MILLS	1,378		2,709	12,584		1,951

Table 6 - Number of Active Mills Reporting

July, 1960

		1959	July	1960	1959	June	1960
Coast	No.		70	65	80		73
Interior	No.		257	229	255		235
Total, British Columbia	No.		327	294	335		308

A few returns received after compilations were closed have been omitted.

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