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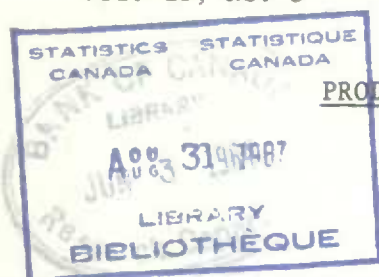
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PRODUCTION, SHIPMENTS AND STOCKS ON HAND OF SAWMILLS  
IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

MARCH 1964

Production of sawn lumber and ties in British Columbia totalled 626,563 M bd. ft. in March 1964 as compared with 571,164 M bd. ft. in March 1963. Shipments increased in March 1964 to 620,944 M bd. ft. from 512,684 M bd. ft. in March 1963. Stocks on hand showed an increase from 895,832 M bd. ft. in March 1963 to 926,910 M bd. ft. in March 1964.

Table 1 gives a comparative summary of production, shipments and stocks of sawn lumber and ties for all British Columbia sawmills, while Table 2 gives particulars of lumber and tie production for Coast mills and Interior mills separately. Details of lumber and tie shipments by method of transport are given in Table 3, while Table 4 shows particulars of stocks of lumber and ties at sawmills. It should be noted that some lumber originally reported as having been shipped to points within British Columbia by some operators may also be reported as having been shipped by other operators, who, in addition to sawing lumber, also purchase or have lumber sawn by contract for them. This, of course, would result in some duplication.

Table 5 shows the distribution of orders on hand for Coast mills only, and also includes lumber purchases and some details of destination and method of transport.

Table 6 gives the number of mills reporting for the Coast and the Interior of British Columbia. The mills reporting for March accounted for 83.9 p.c. of the total production on the basis of the annual returns from 1961 compared with 79.4 p.c. for March of the previous year. It is to be 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.

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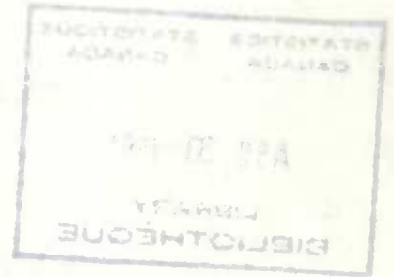


TABLE 1. Comparative Summary of Production, Shipments and Stocks of Lumber and Ties of British Columbia Sawmills

Species	March		Three months ended March	
	1963 <sup>r</sup>	1964	1963 <sup>r</sup>	1964
M ft.b.m.				
Production:				
Douglas Fir .....	180,874	200,105	537,170	560,759
Hemlock .....	151,771	141,204	434,063	439,752
Balsam Fir .....	6,347	8,132	17,374	24,649
Red Cedar .....	60,697	71,177	164,014	196,602
Spruce .....	139,549	168,229	448,164	484,278
White Pine .....	7,995	4,038	17,082	14,906
Ponderosa Pine .....	1,809	1,358	4,287	3,817
Lodgepole Pine .....	13,207	22,512	41,102	54,075
Tamarack or Larch .....	6,089	5,964	17,889	17,360
All other softwoods .....	2,263	3,525	7,607	8,925
Total softwoods .....	570,601	626,244	1,688,752	1,805,123
Red Alder .....	173	108	526	380
Maple .....	329	149	902	373
Birch .....	33	33	126	41
Cottonwood .....	28	29	100	103
All other hardwoods .....	-	-	-	-
Total hardwoods .....	563	319	1,654	897
Total production .....	571,164	626,563	1,690,406	1,806,020
Shipments:				
To: Points in Canada .....	137,739	202,521	389,799	541,423
Points in U.S.A. ....	209,762	233,707	607,482	637,620
United Kingdom .....	41,165	65,447	114,127	150,582
Other Countries .....	54,612	40,402	172,919	143,655
Shipments reported .....	443,278	542,077	1,284,327	1,473,280
Estimated shipments of non-reporting mills ..	69,406	78,867	202,977	217,045
Total shipments .....	512,684	620,944	1,487,304	1,690,325
March 31, 1963				
March 31, 1964				
M ft.b.m.				
Stocks on hand:				
Douglas Fir .....	211,749	216,758		
Hemlock .....	212,811	205,473		
Balsam Fir .....	8,898	12,464		
Red Cedar .....	76,828	85,741		
Spruce .....	315,901	340,656		
White Pine .....	31,802	16,181		
Ponderosa Pine .....	5,837	6,214		
Lodgepole Pine .....	15,562	26,624		
Tamarack or Larch .....	8,681	8,791		
All other softwoods .....	7,346	7,668		
Total softwoods .....	895,415	926,570		
Red Alder .....	49	161		
Maple .....	214	103		
Birch .....	66	49		
Cottonwood .....	88	27		
All other hardwoods .....	-	-		
Total hardwoods .....	417	340		
Total stocks .....	895,832	926,910		

<sup>r</sup> Revised figures (production only).

TABLE 2. Lumber and Ties Sawn, March 1964

Species	Coast mills			Interior mills		
	Reported	Estimated	Total	Reported	Estimated	Total
M ft.b.m.						
Lumber:						
Douglas Fir .....	85,390	1,620	87,010	69,031	43,556	112,587
Hemlock .....	128,476	2,785	131,261	8,239	1,704	9,943
Balsam Fir .....	4,376	213	4,589	2,517	1,023	3,540
Red Cedar .....	54,469	483	54,952	13,969	2,256	16,225
Spruce .....	4,554	3,224	7,778	117,747	42,465	160,212
White Pine .....	942	47	989	1,974	1,037	3,011
Ponderosa Pine .....	-	-	-	735	537	1,272
Lodgepole Pine .....	-	-	-	17,673	4,459	22,132
Tamarack or Larch ....	-	3	3	3,411	2,462	5,873
All other softwoods ..	2,126	30	2,156	1,345	20	1,365
Total, softwoods ...	280,333	8,405	288,738	236,641	99,519	336,160
Red Alder .....	101	7	108	-	-	-
Maple .....	121	28	149	-	-	-
Birch .....	30	1	31	-	2	2
Cottonwood .....	-	-	-	-	29	29
All other hardwoods ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total, hardwoods ...	252	36	288	-	31	31
Total, softwoods and hardwoods .....	280,585	8,441	289,026	236,641	99,550	336,191
Ties:						
Douglas Fir .....	-	-	-	178	330	508
Hemlock .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Balsam Fir .....	-	-	-	-	3	3
Red Cedar .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Spruce .....	-	-	-	236	3	239
White Pine .....	-	-	-	-	38	38
Ponderosa Pine .....	-	-	-	48	38	86
Lodgepole Pine .....	-	-	-	116	264	380
Tamarack or Larch ....	-	-	-	40	48	88
All other softwoods ..	-	-	-	4	-	4
Total, softwoods ...	-	-	-	622	724	1,346
Red Alder .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maple .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Birch .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cottonwood .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
All other hardwoods ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total, hardwoods ...	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total, softwoods and hardwoods .....	-	-	-	622	724	1,346
Lumber and ties .....	280,585	8,441	289,026	237,263	100,274	337,537



TABLE 3. Shipments of Sawn Lumber and Ties, March 1964

	By truck and local sales	By rail M ft.b.m.	Water- borne	Total shipments
<u>Coast mills</u>				
To: Points in Canada:				
British Columbia .....	53,815	1,320	7,732	62,873
Yukon and Northwest Territories	-	-	-	-
Alberta .....	70	2,258	...	2,328
Saskatchewan .....	-	1,165	...	1,165
Manitoba .....	9	2,398	...	2,407
Ontario .....	-	8,421	-	8,421
Quebec .....	-	3,069	1,521	4,590
New Brunswick .....	-	44	1,055	1,099
Nova Scotia .....	-	147	600	747
Prince Edward Island .....	-	37	-	37
Newfoundland .....	-	33	-	33
Total for Canada .....	53,894	18,898	10,908	83,700
Points in U.S.A.:				
Pacific Ports .....	170	1,544	5,747	7,461
Atlantic Ports .....	...	1,346	82,814	84,160
Other points .....	670	30,423	...	31,093
Total for U.S.A. ....	840	33,313	88,561	122,714
United Kingdom .....	...	...	63,842	63,842
Other countries .....	...	...	40,269	40,269
Destination or carrier not specified	...	...	...	-
Total shipments reported .....	54,734	52,211	203,580	310,525
Estimated shipments of non-reporting mills .....				6,132
Total shipments, reported and estimated .....				316,657
<u>Interior mills</u>				
To: Points in Canada:				
British Columbia .....	65,251	11,197	-	76,448
Yukon and Northwest Territories	94	138	-	232
Alberta .....	4,246	6,146	...	10,392
Saskatchewan .....	859	6,244	...	7,103
Manitoba .....	245	5,402	...	5,647
Ontario .....	-	16,042	-	16,042
Quebec .....	-	2,849	-	2,849
New Brunswick .....	-	36	-	36
Nova Scotia .....	-	40	-	40
Prince Edward Island .....	-	-	-	-
Newfoundland .....	-	32	-	32
Total for Canada .....	70,695	48,126	-	118,821
Points in U.S.A.:				
Pacific Ports .....	-	372	-	372
Atlantic Ports .....	...	5,806	-	5,806
Other points .....	106	104,709	...	104,815
Total for U.S.A. ....	106	110,887	-	110,993
United Kingdom .....	...	1,605(1)	-	1,605
Other countries .....	...	133(1)	-	133
Destination or carrier not specified	...	...	...	-
Total shipments reported .....	70,801	160,751	-	231,552
Estimated shipments of non-reporting mills .....				72,735
Total shipments, reported and estimated .....				304,287

(1) Shipped by rail to Eastern and/or Western Seaboard Ports.

... Figures not appropriate or not applicable.

TABLE 4. Stocks of Lumber and Ties at Sawmills, March 31, 1964

Species	Coast mills			Interior mills		
	Reported	Estimated	Total	Reported	Estimated	Total
M ft. b.m.						
Douglas Fir .....	119,757	1,706	121,463	69,233	26,062	95,295
Hemlock .....	180,087	3,942	184,029	15,048	6,396	21,444
Balsam Fir .....	5,600	218	5,818	4,617	2,029	6,646
Red Cedar .....	61,455	1,794	63,249	16,205	6,287	22,492
Spruce .....	6,166	2,947	9,113	233,293	98,250	331,543
White Pine .....	3,407	11	3,418	9,414	3,349	12,763
Ponderosa Pine .....	-	-	-	4,583	1,631	6,214
Lodgepole Pine .....	-	-	-	18,417	8,207	26,624
Tamarack or Larch ....	-	-	-	6,484	2,307	8,791
All other softwoods ..	4,844	34	4,878	2,058	732	2,790
Total, softwoods ...	381,316	10,652	391,968	379,352	155,250	534,602
Red Alder .....	92	69	161	-	-	-
Maple .....	59	44	103	-	-	-
Birch .....	28	21	49	-	-	-
Cottonwood .....	-	-	-	20	7	27
All other hardwoods ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total, hardwoods ...	179	134	313	20	7	27
Total, softwoods and hardwoods .....	381,495	10,786	392,281	379,372	155,257	534,629

TABLE 5. Comparative Summary of Distribution of Orders on Hand and Lumber purchased by Coast Mills from Other Mills

	March 31, 1963	March 31, 1964
M ft. b.m.		
<u>Orders on hand</u>		
For shipments to points in		
British Columbia:		
Local .....	23,636	22,068
Coastwise and interior .....	20,795	7,596
Totals .....	44,431	29,664
For shipments by rail to:		
Prairie Provinces .....	8,524	5,590
Eastern Provinces .....	12,997	10,761
United States of America .....	50,381	53,671
Totals .....	71,902	70,022
For Waterborne shipments to:		
California .....	1,500	2,330
U.S. Atlantic Ports .....	149,888	242,919
Eastern Markets .....	39,011	4,108
Export Markets .....	283,957	396,350
Totals .....	474,356	645,707
Total orders on hand .....	590,689	745,393
Lumber purchased from other mills .....	1,203	1,883

TABLE 6. Number of Mills Reporting

	March 1963			March 1964		
	Active	Inactive	Total	Active	Inactive	Total
Coast .....	64	12	76	64	13	77
Interior .....	191	160	351	223	108	331
Totals .....	255	172	427	287	121	408

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

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