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

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Production of sawn lumber and ties in British Columbia totalled 578,172 M bd. ft. in September 1964 as compared with 554,563 M bd. ft. in September 1963. Shipments increased in September 1964 to 545,652 M bd. ft. over 531,330 in September 1963. Stocks on hand showed an increase from 735,609 M bd. ft. in September 1963 to 819,550 M bd. ft. in September 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 give 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 September accounted for 85.4 p.c. of the total production on the basis of the annual returns from 1962 compared with 81.4 p.c. for September 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.

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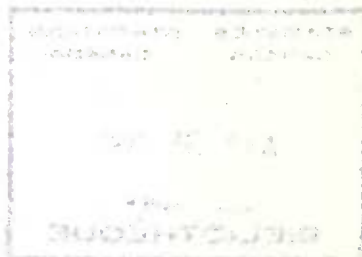


TABLE 1. Comparative Summary of Production, Shipments and Stocks of Lumber and Ties of British Columbia Sawmills

Species	September		Nine months ended September	
	1963 <sup>r</sup>	1964	1963 <sup>r</sup>	1964(1)
M ft.b.m.				
Production:				
Douglas Fir .....	179,036	189,453	1,610,056	1,597,619
Hemlock .....	140,456	136,992	1,248,114	1,230,359
Balsam Fir .....	5,965	6,151	42,662	68,815
Red Cedar .....	56,922	65,905	501,814	564,003
Spruce .....	138,359	142,944	1,177,048	1,245,471
White Pine .....	6,643	4,948	60,894	49,072
Ponderosa Pine .....	2,329	3,724	20,916	28,819
Lodgepole Pine .....	14,917	18,070	109,693	129,475
Tamarack or Larch ....	6,434	6,189	54,583	48,362
All other softwoods ..	3,298	3,162	21,101	27,007
Total softwoods ....	554,359	577,538	4,846,881	4,989,002
Red Alder .....	54	250	885	1,264
Maple .....	123	309	1,972	1,240
Birch .....	2	49	196	127
Cottonwood .....	25	1	416	516
All other hardwoods ..	-	25	42	51
Total hardwoods ....	204	634	3,511	3,198
Total production ...	554,563	578,172	4,850,392	4,992,200
Shipments:				
To: Points in Canada ..	152,829	166,664	1,275,662	1,513,690
Points in U.S.A. ..	215,979	197,760	2,064,836	2,047,210
United Kingdom ....	35,429	54,154	342,411	440,979
Other Countries ...	43,883	56,826	504,791	457,733
Shipments reported ...	448,120	475,404	4,187,700	4,459,612
Estimated shipments of non-reporting mills	83,210	70,248	743,696	652,357
Total shipments ..	531,330	545,652	4,931,396	5,111,969
September 30, 1963				
M ft.b.m.				
September 30, 1964				
M ft.b.m.				
Stocks on hand:				
Douglas Fir .....	200,699		230,452	
Hemlock .....	178,108		196,240	
Balsam Fir .....	5,936		10,369	
Red Cedar .....	80,799		90,961	
Spruce .....	218,795		232,967	
White Pine .....	18,869		16,019	
Ponderosa Pine .....	8,476		12,540	
Lodgepole Pine .....	13,177		16,848	
Tamarack or Larch .....	4,308		10,133	
All other softwoods .....	5,700		2,125	
Total softwoods .....	734,867		818,654	
Red Alder .....	85		325	
Maple .....	139		191	
Birch .....	62		88	
Cottonwood .....	456		292	
All other hardwoods .....	-		-	
Total hardwoods .....	742		896	
Total stocks .....	735,609		819,550	

TABLE 2. Lumber and Ties Sawn, September 1964

Species	Coast mills			Interior mills		
	Reported	Estimated	Total	Reported	Estimated	Total
M ft.b.m.						
Lumber:						
Douglas Fir .....	86,115	5,653	91,768	67,000	29,797	96,797
Hemlock .....	124,688	2,478	127,166	8,794	951	9,745
Balsam Fir .....	3,296	473	3,769	1,704	673	2,377
Red Cedar .....	52,128	1,705	53,833	11,507	565	12,072
Spruce .....	4,723	789	5,512	102,239	35,193	137,432
White Pine .....	1,625	3	1,628	2,697	623	3,320
Ponderosa Pine .....	-	-	-	3,270	365	3,635
Lodgepole Pine .....	-	-	-	14,483	3,070	17,553
Tamarack or Larch ....	-	-	-	3,596	2,566	6,162
All other softwoods ..	3,042	5	3,047	49	39	88
Total, softwoods ...	275,617	11,106	286,723	215,339	73,842	289,181
Red Alder .....	223	23	246	-	4	4
Maple .....	221	88	309	-	-	-
Birch .....	25	22	47	1	1	2
Cottonwood .....	-	-	-	-	1	1
All other hardwoods ..	-	4	4	-	21	21
Total, hardwoods ...	469	137	606	1	27	28
Total, softwoods and hardwoods ...	276,086	11,243	287,329	215,340	73,869	289,209
Ties:						
Douglas Fir .....	379	26	405	167	316	483
Hemlock .....	-	-	-	60	21	81
Balsam Fir .....	-	-	-	-	5	5
Red Cedar .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Spruce .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
White Pine .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ponderosa Pine .....	-	-	-	68	21	89
Lodgepole Pine .....	-	-	-	395	122	517
Tamarack or Larch ....	-	-	-	-	27	27
All other softwoods ..	-	-	-	-	27	27
Total, softwoods ...	379	26	405	690	539	1,229
Red Alder .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maple .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Birch .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cottonwood .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
All other hardwoods ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total, hardwoods ...	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total, softwoods and hardwoods ...	379	26	405	690	539	1,229
Lumber and ties .....	276,465	11,269	287,734	216,030	74,408	290,438



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

	By truck and local sales	By rail	Water- borne	Total shipments
M ft.b.m.				
<u>Coast mills</u>				
To: Points in Canada:				
British Columbia .....	44,826	779	4,216	49,821
Yukon and Northwest Territories .....	-	81	-	81
Alberta .....	6	1,859	...	1,865
Saskatchewan .....	-	634	...	634
Manitoba .....	-	1,386	...	1,386
Ontario .....	-	4,061	-	4,061
Quebec .....	-	2,194	-	2,194
New Brunswick .....	-	216	-	216
Nova Scotia .....	-	144	-	144
Prince Edward Island .....	-	39	-	39
Newfoundland .....	-	277	-	277
Total for Canada .....	44,832	11,670	4,216	60,718
Points in U.S.A.:				
Pacific Ports .....	545	1,660	3,004	5,209
Atlantic Ports .....	...	-	28,038	28,038
Other points .....	716	33,000	...	33,716
Total for U.S.A. ....	1,261	34,660	31,042	66,963
United Kingdom .....	...	-	51,565	51,565
Other countries .....	...	-	56,301	56,301
Destination or carrier not specified .....				-
Total shipments reported .....	46,093	46,330	143,124	235,547
Estimated shipments of non-reporting mills .....				7,098
Total shipments, reported and estimated .....				242,645
<u>Interior mills</u>				
To: Points in Canada:				
British Columbia .....	57,092	11,556	-	68,648
Yukon and Northwest Territories .....	-	-	-	-
Alberta .....	5,282	5,795	...	11,077
Saskatchewan .....	1,297	4,921	...	6,218
Manitoba .....	452	4,602	...	5,054
Ontario .....	-	13,732	-	13,732
Quebec .....	-	919	-	919
New Brunswick .....	-	64	-	64
Nova Scotia .....	-	161	-	161
Prince Edward Island .....	-	-	-	-
Newfoundland .....	-	73	-	73
Total for Canada .....	64,123	41,823	-	105,946
Points in U.S.A.:				
Pacific Ports .....	2,987	1,242	-	4,229
Atlantic Ports .....	...	4,598	-	4,598
Other points .....	1,906	120,064	-	121,970
Total for U.S.A. ....	4,893	125,904	-	130,797
United Kingdom .....	...	1,399(2)	1,190	2,589
Other countries .....	...	525	-	525
Destination or carrier not specified .....				-
Total shipments reported .....	69,016	169,651	1,190	239,857
Estimated shipments of non-reporting mills .....				63,150
Total shipments, reported and estimated .....				303,007

See footnotes page 7.

TABLE 4. Stocks of Lumber and Ties at Sawmills, September 30, 1964

Species	Coast mills			Interior mills		
	Reported	Estimated	Total	Reported	Estimated	Total
M ft. b.m.						
Douglas Fir .....	146,405	1,406	147,811	64,508	18,133	82,641
Hemlock .....	174,629	4,699	179,328	13,209	3,703	16,912
Balsam Fir .....	5,218	-	5,218	4,024	1,127	5,151
Red Cedar .....	65,866	2,669	68,535	17,506	4,920	22,426
Spruce .....	5,321	2,576	7,897	175,808	49,262	225,070
White Pine .....	3,765	23	3,788	9,547	2,684	12,231
Ponderosa Pine .....	-	-	-	9,785	2,755	12,540
Lodgepole Pine .....	-	-	-	13,164	3,684	16,848
Tamarack or Larch ....	-	-	-	7,907	2,226	10,133
All other softwoods ..	2,059	10	2,069	44	12	56
Total, softwoods ...	403,263	11,383	414,646	315,502	88,506	404,008
Red Alder .....	198	127	325	-	-	-
Maple .....	110	81	191	-	-	-
Birch .....	48	40	88	-	-	-
Cottonwood .....	-	-	-	228	64	292
All other hardwoods ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total, hardwoods ...	356	248	604	228	64	292
Total, softwoods and hardwoods .....	403,619	11,631	415,250	315,730	88,570	404,300

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

	September 30, 1963	September 30, 1964
M ft. b.m.		
<u>Orders on hand</u>		
For shipments to points in		
British Columbia:		
Local .....	17,556	16,510
Coastwise and interior .....	7,906	5,946
Totals .....	25,462	22,456
For shipments by rail to:		
Prairie Provinces .....	4,092	4,285
Eastern Provinces .....	8,125	8,651
United States of America .....	49,498	41,742
Totals .....	61,715	54,678
For Waterborne shipments to:		
California .....	1,153	3,599
U.S. Atlantic Ports .....	74,134	66,887
Eastern Markets .....	1,085	1,500
Export Markets .....	386,411	401,969
Totals .....	462,783	473,955
Total orders on hand .....	549,960	551,089
Lumber purchased from other mills .....	1,772	2,588

TABLE 6. Number of Mills Reporting

	September 1963			September 1964		
	Active	Inactive	Total	Active	Inactive	Total
Coast .....	60	11	71	64	4	68
Interior .....	221	84	305	227	60	287
Totals .....	281	95	376	291	64	355

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

(1) Includes revised production to date.

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

† Revised figures - Production only.

... Figures not appropriate or not applicable.

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