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

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TABLE 1. Summary of Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Lumber and Ties(1)

	June		Six months ended June	
	MM ft. b.m.	% change 1964/65	MM ft. b.m.	% change 1964/65
<u>British Columbia.</u>				
Total production	636.2	+ 18	3,440.6	+ 4.4
Total shipments (unduplicated) ..	702.8	(2)	3,422.6	(2)
Total stocks at end of month	877.2	+ 4.5	...	...
<u>Coastal mills:</u>				
Total production	328.0	+ 27	1,813.7	+ 8.6
Total shipments (unduplicated)	364.2	(2)	1,847.8	(2)
Total stocks at end of month ..	416.5	+ 17.6	...	...
Reported orders on hand	604.7	+ 9.3	...	...
<u>Interior mills:</u>				
Total production	308.2	+ 9.5	1,626.9	0.1
Total shipments (unduplicated)	338.6	(2)	1,574.8	(2)
Total stocks at end of month ..	460.7	- 4.7	...	...

June		Six months ended June	
1964	1965	1964	1965
percent			

Percentage of total production
estimated:

British Columbia	12.9	13.5	13.2	13.0
Coastal mills	1.1	2.7	1.5	2.5
Interior mills	23.7	25.0	25.2	25.0

(1) For detailed data see Tables 2 to 6 in this report.

(2) Shipment data not comparable.

... Figures not appropriate or not applicable.

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British Columbia Sawmills

All mills producing more than 500,000 board feet per year are asked to co-operate in this survey. In 1962 this category accounted for 99.8% of the total production of lumber and ties in the Coastal area and 98.4% in the Interior. The estimates of production of the non-reporting mills are based on the production of the reporting mills and the ratio between the production of the non-reporting mills and the reporting mills in the base year (1962). The stocks are estimated on the basis of data reported by the reporting mills for the month under review. The species distribution for the non-reporting mills in the current period has been assumed to be the same as it was in the base year.

This report covers shipments by producers only, consequently the reported destinations may not always be the final destinations. Similarly the modes of transportation apply to first destination shipments only.

The figures for "estimated shipments and adjustments" are arrived at by deducting the reported shipments (sales only) from the apparent total of unduplicated shipments (total production plus or minus the change in total inventory). Thus it includes all non-reported shipments, adjustments for duplication in the reported shipments (sales) and inventory adjustments. Duplication in the reported shipments (sales) occurs when lumber is sold by one reporting sawmill to another reporting sawmill. Such sales are shown in Table 6 of this report.

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 2. Comparative Summary of Production, Shipments (Sales) and Stocks of Lumber and Ties of British Columbia Sawmills

Species	June		Six months ended June	
	1964 ^r	1965	1964 ^r	1965
MM ft. b.m.				
<u>Production</u>				
Douglas fir	180.1	195.4	1,060.0	1,041.7
Hemlock	130.8	178.0	826.4	960.2
Red cedar	55.4	65.9	372.5	380.5
Spruce	131.5	151.0	803.2	834.2
All other softwoods	41.6	45.4	230.3	222.2
Total softwoods	539.4	635.7	3,292.4	3,438.8
Total hardwoods	0.2	0.5	1.8	1.8
Total production	539.6	636.2	3,294.2	3,440.6
<u>Reported shipments</u>				
To: Points in Canada	177.5	167.7	988.9	804.3
Points in U.S.A.	265.7	328.7	1,398.0	1,516.0
United Kingdom	50.8	62.1	295.1	354.1
Other Countries	40.3	57.2	301.1	317.2
Total	534.3	615.7	2,983.1	2,991.6
Estimated shipments and adjustments .....	...	87.1	...	431.0
Total shipments .....	...	702.8	...	3,422.6
<u>Stocks on hand</u>				
Douglas fir	216.9	220.8	...	...
Hemlock	180.0	225.8	...	...
Red cedar	82.2	98.1	...	...
Spruce	283.3	248.2	...	...
All other softwoods	74.4	83.5	...	...
Total softwoods	836.8	876.4	...	...
Total hardwoods	0.6	0.8	...	...
Total stocks	837.4	877.2	...	...

... Figures not appropriate or not applicable.

^r Revised figures.

TABLE 3. Shipments (Sales) of Sawn Lumber and Ties, June 1965

	By truck and local sales	By rail	Water- borne	Total shipments
<u>Coast mills (reported shipments)</u>		M ft.b.m.		
To: Points in Canada:				
British Columbia	51,492	695	124	52,311
Yukon and Northwest Territories	-	39	-	39
Alberta	-	1,430	...	1,430
Saskatchewan	-	906	...	906
Manitoba	7	1,656	...	1,663
Ontario	-	5,340	-	5,340
Quebec	-	2,351	-	2,351
New Brunswick	-	194	-	194
Nova Scotia	-	97	-	97
Prince Edward Island	-	39	-	39
Newfoundland	-	205	-	205
Total for Canada	51,499	12,952	124	64,575
Points in U.S.A.:				
Pacific Ports	696	1,404	2,035	4,135
Atlantic Ports .....	...	208	132,000	132,208
Other points	375	33,221	...	33,596
Total for U.S.A.	1,071	34,833	134,035	169,939
United Kingdom .....	...	623(1)	58,065	58,688
Other countries .....	...	2,104	55,101	57,205
Total reported shipments	52,570	50,512	247,325	350,407
Estimated shipments and adjustments				13,759
Total shipments				364,166

Interior mills (reported shipments)

To: Points in Canada:				
British Columbia	45,042	12,603	-	57,645
Yukon and Northwest Territories	155	23	-	178
Alberta	6,845	7,095	...	13,940
Saskatchewan	1,349	5,821	...	7,170
Manitoba	534	5,754	...	6,288
Ontario	-	15,943	-	15,943
Quebec	-	1,771	-	1,771
New Brunswick	-	46	-	46
Nova Scotia	-	31	-	31
Prince Edward Island	-	20	-	20
Newfoundland	-	66	-	66
Total for Canada	53,925	49,173	-	103,098
Points in U.S.A.:				
Pacific Ports	3,394	9,642	-	13,036
Atlantic Ports .....	...	10,486	-	10,486
Other points	8,951	126,288	...	135,239
Total for U.S.A.	12,345	146,416	-	158,761
United Kingdom .....	...	2,366(1)	1,048	3,414
Other countries .....	...	-	-	-
Total reported shipments	66,270	197,955	1,048	265,273
Estimated shipments and adjustments				73,365
Total shipments				338,638

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

... Figures not appropriate or not applicable.

TABLE 4. Production and Stocks of Lumber and Ties, June 1965

Species	Coast mills			Interior mills		
	Reported	Estimated	Total	Reported	Estimated	Total
MM ft. b.m.						
<u>Lumber and ties sawn</u>						
Douglas fir	85.5	4.4	89.9	73.6	31.9	105.5
Hemlock	161.0	2.0	163.0	14.0	1.0	15.0
Red cedar	54.1	1.3	55.4	9.9	0.6	10.5
Spruce	9.1	0.6	9.7	105.8	35.5	141.3
All other softwoods	9.1	0.4	9.5	27.7	8.2	35.9
Total softwoods	318.8	8.7	327.5	231.0	77.2	308.2
Total hardwoods	0.3	0.2	0.5	-	-	-
Total softwoods and hardwoods	319.1	8.9	328.0	231.0	77.2	308.2
<u>Stocks of lumber and ties</u>						
Douglas fir	118.5	2.0	120.5	76.9	23.4	100.3
Hemlock	197.0	1.7	198.7	20.7	6.4	27.1
Red cedar	70.2	1.1	71.3	20.5	6.3	26.8
Spruce	8.7	-	8.7	182.0	57.5	239.5
All other softwoods	16.2	0.3	16.5	51.2	15.8	67.0
Total softwoods	410.6	5.1	415.7	351.3	109.4	460.7
Total hardwoods	0.5	0.3	0.8	-	-	-
Total softwoods and hardwoods	411.1	5.4	416.5	351.3	109.4	460.7

TABLE 5. Comparative Summary of Distribution of Lumber Orders on Hand reported by Coast Mills

	June	
	1964 ^r	1965
M ft. b.m.		
<u>Orders on hand</u>		
For shipments to points in British Columbia:		
Local	17,247	26,609
Coastwise and interior	14,341	2,975
Totals	31,588	29,584
For shipments by rail and truck to:		
Prairie Provinces	5,546	5,942
Eastern Provinces	9,595	10,147
United States	45,341	52,195
Totals	60,482	68,284
For waterborne shipments to:		
California	1,225	1,729
U.S. Atlantic Ports	84,840	113,207
Eastern markets	4,544	3,064
Other export markets	370,729	388,810
Totals	461,338	506,810
Total orders on hand	553,408	604,678

TABLE 6. Purchases and Transfers by Reporting Mills, June 1965

	Coast mills	Interior mills
	M ft. b.m.	
Receipts of reporting mills of custom sawn lumber and ties	3,939	6,338
Returns by reporting mills of custom sawn lumber and ties(1)	9,717	13,555
Lumber purchased from other mills	1,636	14,719

(1) Returned to owners.

TABLE 7. Exports(1) of Softwood Lumber

	May 1965		Five months ended May	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
	MM ft. b.m.	\$	MM ft. b.m.	\$
Douglas fir	135.6	10,054,917	541.3	39,059,967
Western white spruce	138.2	9,132,545	565.0	36,670,996
Hemlock	190.5	13,589,588	715.2	52,100,465
Western red cedar	50.0	4,214,880	209.1	17,605,512

(1) Customs clearance, latest available.

TABLE 8. Industry Selling Price Indexes (1956 = 100)(1)

	June	
	1964	1965
Lumber mills industry (Canada)	90.3	102.8
Douglas fir, B.C. Coast	102.0	102.1
Douglas fir, B.C. Interior	113.0	111.2
Spruce, B.C. Interior	87.4	88.7
Hemlock, B.C. Coast	102.1	99.8
Cedar	123.6	129.1

(1) A complete description of these indexes is contained in "Industry Selling Price Indexes 1956-59" Catalogue No. 62-515.

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