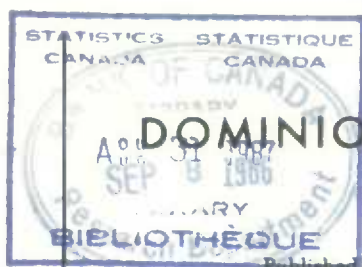


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## PRODUCTION, SHIPMENTS AND STOCKS ON HAND OF SAWMILLS IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

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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 1965/66	MM ft. b.m.	% change 1965/66
<u>British Columbia</u>				
Total production .....	628.9	- 1.2	3,585.0	+ 4.2
Total shipments (unduplicated) ..	686.5	- 2.3	3,692.3(2)	+ 7.9
Total stocks at end of month ....	859.8	...	...	...
<u>Coastal mills:</u>				
Total production .....	314.8	- 4.0	1,916.9	+ 5.7
Total shipments (unduplicated)	336.7	- 7.6	2,000.9	+ 8.3
Total stocks at end of month ..	387.6	...	...	...
Reported orders on hand .....	631.8	+ 4.5	...	...
<u>Interior mills:</u>				
Total production .....	314.1	+ 2.0	1,668.2	+ 2.5
Total shipments (unduplicated)	349.8	+ 3.3	1,691.4(2)	+ 7.4
Total stocks at end of month ..	472.2	...	...	...

June		Six months ended June	
1965	1966	1965	1966

per cent

### Percentage of total production estimated:

British Columbia .....	13.5	9.1	13.0	9.4
Coastal mills .....	2.7	0.8	2.5	0.7
Interior mills .....	25.0	17.4	25.0	19.3

(1) For detailed data see Tables 2 to 7 in this report. (2) Includes revisions to date. ... Figures not appropriate or not available.

Note: Data above may not necessarily balance due to rounding.

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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 1963 this category accounted for 99.8% of the total production of lumber and ties in the Coastal area and 99.3% 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 (1963). 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.

The figures for "estimated shipments and adjustments" are arrived at by deducting the shipments (sales only) as reported by sawmills from the apparent total of unduplicated shipments of sawmills (total production plus or minus the change in total inventory of sawmills). Thus it includes all non-reported sawmill shipments, adjustments for duplication in the shipments (sales) reported by sawmills 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 7 of this report.

To improve the distribution of shipments by destination (Table 3) the planing mills in B.C. have been asked, beginning in 1966, to report shipments (sales) by destination. On the assumption that the lumber, purchased by these planing mills, was purchased from reporting sawmills in B.C. and to avoid duplication, the shipments to points in B.C. as reported by the sawmills has been reduced by the shipments to points outside B.C. as reported by the planing mills. Nevertheless the reported destinations are not necessarily the final destinations and the modes of transportation apply only to first destination shipments as reported by sawmills and, to a limited extent, planing mills.

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	
	1965	1966	1965	1966
MM ft. b.m.				
<u>Production</u>				
Douglas fir .....	195.4	176.5	1,041.7	942.4
Hemlock .....	178.0	170.6	960.2	1,061.2
Red cedar .....	65.9	74.2	380.5	416.5
Spruce .....	151.0	158.0	834.2	885.4
All other softwoods .....	45.4	49.3	222.2	277.8
Total softwoods .....	635.7	628.6	3,438.8	3,583.3
Total hardwoods .....	0.5	0.3	1.8	1.7
Total production .....	636.2	628.9	3,440.6	3,585.0
<u>Shipments</u>				
Reported to:				
Points in Canada .....	167.7	150.8	804.3	718.8
Points in U.S.A. ....	328.7	339.7	1,516.0	2,004.5
United Kingdom .....	62.1	50.1	354.1	281.9
Other Countries .....	57.2	57.3	317.2	340.4
Totals .....	615.7	597.9	2,991.6	3,345.6
Estimated shipments and adjustments .....	87.1	88.6	431.0	346.7(1)
Total shipments .....	702.8	686.5	3,422.6	3,692.3(1)
<u>Stocks on hand</u>				
Douglas fir .....	220.8	177.8	...	...
Hemlock .....	225.8	225.4	...	...
Red cedar .....	98.1	90.2	...	...
Spruce .....	248.2	303.1	...	...
All other softwoods .....	83.5	63.0	...	...
Total softwoods .....	876.4	859.5	...	...
Total hardwoods .....	0.8	0.3	...	...
Total stocks .....	877.2	859.8	...	...

(1) Includes revisions to date.

TABLE 3. Shipments (Sales) of Sawn Lumber and Ties, Coast Mills, June 1966

	By truck and local sales	By rail	Water- borne	Total shipments
M ft.b.m.				
<u>Reported shipments</u>				
To: Points in Canada:				
British Columbia .....	57,612	2,377	295	60,284
Yukon and Northwest Territories .....	-	-	-	-
Alberta .....	-	2,406	...	2,406
Saskatchewan .....	-	1,264	...	1,264
Manitoba .....	-	2,521	...	2,521
Ontario .....	-	6,471	-	6,471
Quebec .....	-	2,039	-	2,039
New Brunswick .....	-	301	-	301
Nova Scotia .....	-	315	-	315
Prince Edward Island .....	-	5	-	5
Newfoundland .....	-	260	973	1,233
Total for Canada .....	57,612	17,959	1,268	76,839
Points in U.S.A.:				
Pacific Ports .....	1,046	1,797	2,859	5,702
Atlantic Ports .....	...	29	107,101	107,130
Other points .....	291	36,288	...	36,579
Total for U.S.A. ....	1,337	38,114	109,960	149,411
United Kingdom .....	...	-	47,537	47,537
Other countries .....	...	2,452(1)	54,850	57,302
Total reported shipments ..	58,949	58,525	213,615	331,089
Estimated shipments and adjustments .....				5,614
Total reported and estimated shipments .....				336,703

(1) Shipped by rail to Eastern and/or Western seaboard ports.

... Figures not appropriate or not applicable.

TABLE 4. Shipments (Sales) of Sawn Lumber and Ties, Interior Mills, June 1966

	By truck and local sales	By rail	Water- borne	Total shipments
M ft. b.m.				
<u>Reported shipments</u>				
To: Points in Canada:				
British Columbia .....	9,787	4,436	-	14,223
Yukon and Northwest Territories .....	294	-	-	294
Alberta .....	5,564	11,882	...	17,446
Saskatchewan .....	1,185	8,416	...	9,601
Manitoba .....	494	6,546	...	7,040
Ontario .....	-	22,171	-	22,171
Quebec .....	-	2,909	-	2,909
New Brunswick .....	-	85	-	85
Nova Scotia .....	-	172	-	172
Prince Edward Island .....	-	-	-	-
Newfoundland .....	-	39	-	39
Total for Canada .....	17,324	56,656	-	73,980
Points in U.S.A.:				
Pacific Ports .....	677	10,009	-	10,686
Atlantic Ports .....	...	13,732	-	13,732
Other points .....	5,051	160,772	...	165,823
Total for U.S.A. ....	5,728	184,513	-	190,241
United Kingdom .....	...	2,006	586	2,592
Other countries .....	...	-	-	-
Total reported shipments ..	23,052	243,175	586	266,813
Estimated shipments and adjustments .....				82,960
Total reported and estimated shipments .....				349,773

(1) Shipped by rail to Eastern and/or Western seaboard ports.

... Figures not appropriate or not applicable.



TABLE 5. Production and Stocks of Lumber and Ties, June 1966

Species	Coast mills			Interior mills		
	Reported	Estimated	Total	Reported	Estimated	Total
MM ft. b.m.						
<u>Lumber and ties sawn</u>						
Douglas fir .....	76.7	1.0	77.7	76.3	22.5	98.8
Hemlock .....	156.3	0.5	156.8	12.7	1.1	13.8
Red cedar .....	59.1	0.5	59.6	13.9	0.7	14.6
Spruce .....	10.1	-	10.1	124.8	23.1	147.9
All other softwoods .....	10.0	0.3	10.3	31.7	7.3	39.0
Total softwoods .....	312.2	2.3	314.5	259.4	54.7	314.1
Total hardwoods .....	0.1	0.2	0.3	-	-	-
Total softwoods and hardwoods .....	312.3	2.5	314.8	259.4	54.7	314.1
<u>Stocks of lumber and ties</u>						
Douglas fir .....	97.1	0.2	97.3	68.7	11.8	80.5
Hemlock .....	200.1	0.7	200.8	20.4	4.2	24.6
Red cedar .....	67.5	0.2	67.7	19.2	3.3	22.5
Spruce .....	8.2	0.1	8.3	251.5	43.3	294.8
All other softwoods .....	13.1	0.2	13.3	42.3	7.4	49.7
Total softwoods .....	386.0	1.4	387.4	402.1	70.0	472.1
Total hardwoods .....	0.2	-	0.2	0.1	-	0.1
Total softwoods and hardwoods .....	386.2	1.4	387.6	402.2	70.0	472.2

TABLE 6. Comparative Summary of Distribution of Lumber Orders on Hand reported by Coast Mills

	June	
	1965	1966
M ft. b.m.		
<u>Orders on hand</u>		
For shipments to points in British Columbia:		
Local .....	26,609	32,408
Coastwise and interior .....	2,975	2,189
Totals .....	29,584	34,597
For shipments by rail and truck to:		
Prairie Provinces .....	5,942	5,921
Eastern Provinces .....	10,147	12,363
United States .....	52,195	45,725
Totals .....	68,284	64,009
For waterborne shipments to:		
California .....	1,729	4,150
U.S. Atlantic Ports .....	113,207	164,784
Eastern markets .....	3,064	2,350
Other export markets .....	388,810	361,916
Totals .....	506,810	533,200
Total orders on hand .....	604,678	631,806

TABLE 7. Purchases and Transfers by Reporting Mills, June 1966

	Coast mills	Interior mills
	M ft. b.m.	
Receipts of reporting mills of custom sawn lumber and ties .....	7,250	13,300
Returns by reporting mills of custom sawn lumber and ties(1) .....	4,591	19,040
Lumber purchased from other mills ....	4,187	26,733

(1) Returned to owners.

TABLE 8. Exports of Softwood Lumber

	May		Five months ended May	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
	MM ft. b.m.	\$'000	MM ft. b.m.	\$'000
Douglas fir .....	120.2	9,519	508.7	38,750
Western white spruce .....	158.4	11,012	603.8	40,016
Hemlock .....	176.8	13,034	762.9	54,657
Western red cedar .....	58.1	5,190	232.1	20,012

Source: Trade of Canada.

TABLE 9. Industry Selling Price Indexes (1956=100)(1)

	June	
	1965	1966
Lumber mills industry (Canada) .....	102.8	110.1
Douglas fir, B.C. Coast .....	102.1	109.6
Douglas fir, B.C. Interior .....	111.7	112.2
Spruce, B.C. Interior .....	88.6	98.8
Hemlock, B.C. Coast .....	99.8	109.6
Cedar .....	129.1	144.2

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

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