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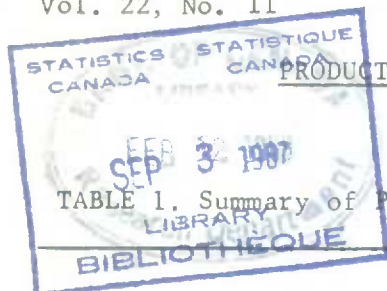
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PRODUCTION, SHIPMENTS AND STOCKS ON HAND OF SAWMILLS
IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

NOVEMBER 1968

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

	November 1968		Eleven months ended November 1968	
	MM ft. b.m.	% change 1967/68	MM ft. b.m.	% change 1967/68
<u>British Columbia</u>				
Total production	684.4	+ 24.2	7,228.1	+ 8.5
Total shipments (unduplicated) ..	681.4	+ 21.0	7,191.5	+ 3.1
Total stocks at end of month	831.4	+ 8.5	...	...
<u>Coastal mills</u>				
Total production	345.9	- 4.6	3,825.1	+ 5.9
Total shipments (unduplicated)	339.4	- 4.7	3,826.7	+ 2.7
Total stocks at end of month ..	416.5	- 3.3	...	...
Reported orders on hand	707.3	- 12.0	...	...
<u>Interior mills</u>				
Total production	338.5	+ 79.3	3,403.2	+ 11.6
Total shipments (unduplicated)	342.0	+ 65.0	3,365.0	+ 3.6
Total stocks at end of month ..	414.8	+ 23.0	...	...

November		Eleven months ended November	
1967	1968	1967	1968

per cent

Percentage of total productionestimated

British Columbia	8.9	11.3	11.0	9.3
Coastal mills	1.0	0.1	0.9	0.9
Interior mills	23.8	21.7	22.6	18.6

(1) For detailed data see Tables 2 to 7 in this report.
... Figures not appropriate or not applicable.

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British Columbia Sawmills and Planing Mills

Sawmills producing less than 3,000 M. ft. b.m. per year are excluded from this survey. For these small mills, and any larger mills that fail to report, production and stocks are estimated on the basis of the figures for the previous month and the rate of increase or decrease in production and stocks of the reporting mills. These estimates are checked against annual figures obtained in the Annual Census of Sawmills and Planing Mills and log scale figures supplied by the B.C. Forest Service as soon as this information becomes available. If significant differences occur the estimates are adjusted accordingly.

The mills in each of the three regions of the interior are-for purposes of estimation-divided in two size groups, i.e. mills producing less than 10,000 M. ft. b.m. per year and mills producing 10,000 M. ft. b.m. or more per year.

The species distribution of estimated production and estimated stocks is based on the species distribution of reported production and reported stocks in the same area.

Table 3 gives the distribution of shipments reported by sawmills and planing mills. It is to be noted that the reported destinations are not necessarily final destinations. The shipments to points in B.C. in particular include sales to lumber dealers who are not included in this survey. Undoubtedly part of this lumber is subsequently shipped to other destinations. The reported shipments to points in B.C. also include sales to other sawmills or planing mills in B.C. who are included in this survey. The further shipment of this lumber by the purchasing mills is also included in the reported shipments. This leads to duplication in the figures for shipments by destination, overstating the shipments to points in B.C. The quantities of lumber purchased by reporting mills from other mills are shown in Table 7.

While the reported shipments by destination, particularly the reported shipments to points in B.C., contain some duplication, the total of reported shipments and estimated shipments and adjustments is free of duplication because this figure is calculated from the total production data reported and estimated and the total stocks (reported and estimated), both of which are free of duplication.

The co-operation of the Forest Service and of the British Columbia Lumber Manufacturers' Division of the Council of the Forest Industries of B.C., The Interior Lumber Manufacturers' Association and the Northern Interior Lumbermen's Association is gratefully acknowledged.

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

Species	November		Eleven months ended November	
	1967(1)	1968	1967(1)	1968
MM ft. b.m.				
<u>Production</u>				
Douglas fir	148.5	168.3	1,673.5	1,735.2
Hemlock	183.7	197.3	1,905.8	2,003.3
Red cedar	57.8	73.8	727.5	843.4
Spruce	112.6	198.7	1,750.8	2,151.7
All other softwoods	48.3	46.2	601.6	491.0
Total softwoods	550.9	684.3	6,658.5	7,224.6
Total hardwoods	0.1	0.1	3.8	3.5
Total production	551.0	684.4	6,662.3	7,228.1
<u>Shipments</u>				
<u>Reported to</u>				
Points in Canada	102.7	119.2	1,562.7	1,465.7
Points in U.S.A.	249.6	384.8	3,483.0	3,901.8
United Kingdom	54.2	29.2	603.4	434.7
Other countries	106.9	73.2	857.4	919.8
Totals	513.4	606.4	6,506.5	6,722.0
Estimated shipments and adjustments	49.9	75.0	468.6	469.5
Total shipments (unduplicated)	563.3	681.4	6,975.1	7,191.5
<u>Stocks on hand</u>				
Douglas fir	188.6	178.2	...	...
Hemlock	201.2	229.2	...	...
Red cedar	75.2	85.8	...	...
Spruce	232.1	270.6	...	...
All other softwoods	68.9	65.5	...	...
Total softwoods	766.2	829.3	...	...
Total hardwoods	1.7	2.0	...	...
Total stocks	767.9	831.4	...	...

(1) Includes revisions.

... Figures not appropriate or not applicable.

TABLE 3. Shipments (Sales) of Sawn Lumber and Ties
November 1968

	By truck and local sales	By rail	Water- borne	Total shipments
M ft. b.m.				
<u>Coast mills (reported shipments)</u>				
<u>To: Points in Canada</u>				
British Columbia	47,788	181	658	48,627
Yukon and Northwest Territories	-	11	-	11
Alberta	36	924	...	960
Saskatchewan	-	87	...	87
Manitoba	-	820	...	820
Ontario	-	2,830	-	2,830
Quebec	-	1,619	-	1,619
New Brunswick	-	59	-	59
Nova Scotia	-	69	-	69
Prince Edward Island	-	23	-	23
Newfoundland	-	592	-	592
Total for Canada	47,824	7,215	658	55,697
<u>Points in U.S.A.</u>				
Pacific Ports	1,379	2,303	3,880	7,562
Atlantic Ports .....	...	3,426	141,022	144,448
Other points	476	29,371	...	29,847
Total for U.S.A.	1,855	35,100	144,902	181,857
United Kingdom .....	...	2,601(1)	24,097	26,698
Other countries .....	...	-	73,032	73,032
Total reported shipments ..	49,679	44,916	242,689	337,284
Estimated shipments and adjustments				2,116
Total shipments (unduplicated)				339,400

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 3. Shipments (Sales) of Sawn Lumber and Ties - Continued
November 1968

	By truck and local sales	By rail	Water- borne	Total shipments
M ft. b.m.				
<u>Southern Interior mills</u> <u>(reported shipments)</u>				
<u>To: Points in Canada</u>				
British Columbia	11,955	3,934	-	15,889
Yukon and Northwest Territories	50	20	-	70
Alberta	3,263	9,601	...	12,864
Saskatchewan	519	3,518	...	4,037
Manitoba	115	3,862	...	3,977
Ontario	36	5,559	-	5,595
Quebec	-	810	-	810
New Brunswick	-	-	-	-
Nova Scotia	-	-	-	-
Prince Edward Island	-	-	-	-
Newfoundland	-	30	-	30
Total for Canada	15,938	27,334	-	43,272
<u>Points in U.S.A.</u>				
Pacific Ports	260	213	-	473
Atlantic Ports .....	...	454	-	454
Other points	674	83,250	...	83,924
Total for U.S.A.	934	83,917	-	84,851
United Kingdom .....	...	-	-	-
Other countries .....	...	102(1)	-	102
Total reported shipments ..	16,872	111,353	-	128,225
Estimated shipments and adjustments				19,075
Total shipments (unduplicated)				147,300

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 3. Shipments (Sales) of Sawn Lumber and Ties - Continued
November 1968

	By truck and local sales	By rail	Water- borne	Total shipments
	M ft. b.m.			
<u>Central Interior mills</u> <u>(reported shipments)</u>				
<u>To: Points in Canada</u>				
British Columbia	11,705	201	-	11,906
Yukon and Northwest Territories	-	-	-	-
Alberta	39	491	...	530
Saskatchewan	-	84	...	84
Manitoba	-	89	...	89
Ontario	-	571	-	571
Quebec	-	37	-	37
New Brunswick	-	-	-	-
Nova Scotia	-	-	-	-
Prince Edward Island	-	-	-	-
Newfoundland	-	-	-	-
Total for Canada	11,744	1,473	-	13,217
<u>Points in U.S.A.</u>				
Pacific Ports	-	668	-	668
Atlantic Ports .....	...	-	-	-
Other points	2,416	25,967	...	28,383
Total for U.S.A.	2,416	26,635	-	29,051
United Kingdom .....	...	-	-	-
Other countries .....	...	-	-	-
Total reported shipments ..	14,160	28,108	-	42,268
Estimated shipments and adjustments				23,332
Total shipments (unduplicated)				65,600

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 3. Shipments (Sales) of Sawn Lumber and Ties - Concluded
November 1968

	By truck and local sales	By rail	Water- borne	Total shipments
M ft. b.m.				
<u>Northern Interior mills</u> <u>(reported shipments)</u>				
<u>To: Points in Canada</u>				
British Columbia	1,594	370	-	1,964
Yukon and Northwest Territories	-	-	-	-
Alberta	31	256	...	287
Saskatchewan	-	-	...	-
Manitoba	-	117	...	117
Ontario	-	4,125	-	4,125
Quebec	-	542	-	542
New Brunswick	-	-	-	-
Nova Scotia	-	-	-	-
Prince Edward Island	-	-	-	-
Newfoundland	-	-	-	-
Total for Canada	1,625	5,410	-	7,035
<u>Points in U.S.A.</u>				
Pacific Ports	-	1,529	-	1,529
Atlantic Ports .....	...	15,141	-	15,141
Other points	84	72,270	...	72,354
Total for U.S.A.	84	88,940	-	89,024
United Kingdom .....	...	2,511(1)	-	2,511
Other countries .....	...	72(1)	-	72
Total reported shipments ..	1,709	96,933	-	98,642
Estimated shipments and adjustments				30,458
Total shipments				129,100

(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, Coast Mills
November 1968

Species	Reported	Estimated	Total
MM ft. b.m.			
<u>Lumber and ties sawn</u>			
Douglas fir	79.9	2.3	82.1
Hemlock	183.0	1.0	184.0
Red cedar	61.0	0.6	61.6
Spruce	8.9	-	8.9
All other softwoods	9.1	-	9.1
Total softwoods	341.9	3.9	345.8
Total hardwoods	0.1	-	0.1
Total softwoods and hardwoods	342.0	3.9	345.9
<u>Stocks of lumber and ties</u>			
Douglas fir	104.2	4.1	108.3
Hemlock	205.1	6.0	211.1
Red cedar	65.1	2.6	67.7
Spruce	11.0	1.8	12.8
All other softwoods	14.9	1.3	16.2
Total softwoods	400.3	15.8	416.1
Total hardwoods	0.4	-	0.4
Total softwoods and hardwoods	400.7	15.8	416.5

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

	November	
	1967	1968
M ft. b.m.		
<u>Orders on hand</u>		
<u>For shipments to points in British Columbia</u>		
Local	28,858	25,646
Coastwise and interior	2,551	3,859
Totals	31,409	29,505
<u>For shipments by rail and truck to</u>		
Prairie Provinces	4,027	4,449
Eastern Provinces	9,810	12,951
United States	33,284	36,724
Totals	47,121	54,124
<u>For waterborne shipments to</u>		
California	3,675	3,550
U.S.A. Atlantic Ports	219,998	266,439
Eastern Canada	-	-
Other export markets	501,323	353,732
Totals	724,996	623,721
Total orders on hand	803,526	707,350

TABLE 6. Production and Stocks of Lumber and Ties, Interior Mills
November 1968

Species	Southern region			Central region			Northern region		
	Reported	Estimated	Total	Reported	Estimated	Total	Reported	Estimated	Total
MM ft. b.m.									
<u>Lumber and ties sawn</u>									
Douglas fir	40.0	7.0	47.0	24.8	12.5	37.3	1.5	0.5	2.0
Hemlock	8.7	1.5	10.2	-	-	-	2.4	0.8	3.1
Red cedar	8.0	1.4	9.4	-	-	-	2.1	0.7	2.8
Spruce	63.7	11.2	74.9	12.9	6.5	19.4	72.5	23.0	95.5
All other softwoods	14.9	2.6	17.5	7.1	3.6	10.7	6.7	2.1	8.8
Total softwoods	135.2	23.8	158.9	44.8	22.6	67.3	85.2	27.1	112.3
Total hardwoods	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total softwoods and hardwoods	135.2	23.8	158.9	44.8	22.6	67.3	85.2	27.1	112.3
<u>Stocks of lumber and ties</u>									
Douglas fir	31.8	4.8	36.6	18.9	10.2	29.0	3.5	0.8	4.3
Hemlock	12.0	1.8	13.8	-	-	-	3.5	0.8	4.4
Red cedar	12.3	1.8	14.1	-	-	-	3.2	0.7	3.9
Spruce	95.9	14.3	110.2	11.4	6.1	17.5	105.8	24.3	130.1
All other softwoods	28.8	4.3	33.1	2.4	1.3	3.7	10.2	2.3	12.5
Total softwoods	180.8	27.0	207.8	32.7	17.6	50.3	126.2	29.0	155.2
Total hardwoods	1.3	0.2	1.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total softwoods and hardwoods	182.1	27.2	209.4	32.7	17.6	50.3	126.2	29.0	155.2

TABLE 7. Purchases and Transfers by Reporting Mills
November 1968

	Coast mills	Interior mills		
		Southern region	Central region	Northern region
		M ft. b.m.		
Receipts of reporting mills of custom sawn lumber and ties		2,276	5,722	3,720
Returns by reporting mills of custom sawn lumber and ties(1)		2,600	4,179	7,712
Lumber purchased from other mills ...		4,639	1,165	6,649

(1) Returned to owners.

TABLE 8. Exports of Softwood Lumber from Canada

	September 1968		Nine months ended September 1968	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
	MM ft. b.m.	\$'000	MM ft. b.m.	\$'000
Douglas fir	135.8	13,348	946.6	86,695
Western white spruce	174.9	15,407	1,307.6	107,983
Hemlock	179.8	14,954	1,404.3	109,754
Western red cedar	55.4	5,801	451.7	45,037

Source: "Exports by Commodities," D.B.S. Catalogue No. 65-004.

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

	November	
	1967	1968
Lumber mills industry (Canada)	114.6	133.4
Douglas fir, B.C. - Coast		136.8
Interior	118.7	157.2
Spruce, B.C. Interior	97.5	118.3
Hemlock, B.C. Coast	112.9	136.8
Cedar	149.7	176.1

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

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