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

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	MM ft. b.m.	% change 1967/68	MM ft. b.m.	% change 1967/68	
British Columbia					
Total production	579.9	- 4.6	2,463.9	- 3.3	
Total shipments (unduplicated)	624.0	+ 1.2	2,381.5	- 3.8	
Total stocks at end of month	889.1	- 22.2		и о о	
Coastal mills					
Total production	347.5	+ 6.8	1,378.0	+ 6.6	
Total shipments (unduplicated)	359.8	+ 8.8	1,392.1	+ 1.7	
Total stocks at end of month	403.5	- 14.9			
Reported orders on hand	943.4	+ 8.4			
Interior mills					
Total production	232.4	- 17.6	1,085.9	- 13.5	
Total shipments (unduplicated)	264.2	- 7.7	989.4	- 10.6	
Total stocks at end of month	485.5	- 27.4	• • •		
	Apri	1	Four months ended April		
	1967	1968	1967	1968	
		per	cent		
Percentage of total production estimated					
British Columbia	9.0	6.8	12.8	11.5	
Coastal mills	1.1	0.9	0.9	0.9	
Interior mills	18.2	15.5	25.1	24.9	

⁽¹⁾ For detailed data see Tables 2 to 7 in this report.

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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	Apr	il	Four mont	
Species	1967	1968	1967	1968
		MM ft.	, b.m.	-
Production				
Oouglas fir	163.5	137.1	643.6	545.0
Hemlock	158.6	171.4	677.0	703.7
Red cedar	77.4	81.0	283.6	318.6
Spruce	146.6	150.4	718.8	736.2
All other softwoods	61.1	39.4	223.0	159.3
Total softwoods	607.2	579.6	2,545.9	2,462.9
Total hardwoods	0.3	0.3	1.5	0.7
Total production	607.6	579.9	2,547.4	2,463.7
Shipments				
eported to				
Points in Canada	146.7	128.3	546.9	474.1
Points in U.S.A	302.6	327.1	1,195.5	1,215.6
United Kingdom	61.8	58.2	229.5	189.1
Other countries	76.3	73.9	309.4	339.5
Totals	587.4	587.5	2,281.3	2,218.3
stimated shipments and				
adjustments	29.5	36.5	193.4	163.2
Total shipments (unduplicated)	616.9	624.0	2,474.8	2,381.5
Stocks on hand				
ouglas fir	246.5	169.5		
emlock	234.0	191.8		
ed cedar	122.6	94.1		
pruce	436.9	359.9	• • •	
ll other softwoods	102.0	71.8	•••	
Total softwoods	1,142.0	887.1		
Total hardwoods	0.9	2.0	• • •	
Total stocks	1,142.9	889.1	* * *	

^{...} Figures not appropriate or not applicable.

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

April 1968

	By truck and local sales	By rail	Water- borne	Total shipments
		M ft.	b.m.	
Coast mills (reported shipments)				
The state of the s				
: Points in Canada				
British Columbia	54,875	750	100	55,725
Yukon and Northwest Territories	-	-	-	-
Alberta	88	1,817		1,905
Saskatchewan	21	787		808
Manitoba	-	1,140	> v a	1,140
Ontario	44	5,458	_	5,502
Quebec	-	1,740	_	1,740
New Brunswick	-	221	_	221
Nova Scotia	-	91		91
Prince Edward Island	-	22	-	22
Newfoundland	-	27	-	27
Total for Canada	55,028	12,053	100	67,181
Points in U.S.A.				
Pacific Ports	1,490	3,242	3,216	7,948
Atlantic Ports	., .,	3,224	123,665	126,889
Other points	201	25, 763	125,005	25,964
Total for U.S.A	1,691	32,229	126,881	160,801
United Kingdom		579(1)	52,974	53,553
Other countries		1,300(1)	72,174	73,474
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Total reported shipments	56,719	46,161	252,129	355,009
timated shipments and adjustments				4,791
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Total shipments (unduplicated)				

See footnotes at end of table.

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

	By truck and local sales	By rail	Water- borne	Total shipment
		M ft.	b.m.	
Southern Interior mills				
(reported shipments)				
o: Points in Canada				
British Columbia	7,590	525	-	8,115
Yukon and Northwest Territori		-	-	134
Alberta		9,144	n n o	10,986
Saskatchewan		3,026		3,111
Manitoba		2,743		2,781
Ontario	22	5,085	_	5,107
Quebec		589	_	603
New Brunswick		28	-	28
Nova Scotia		_	_	_
Prince Edward Island		-	-	-
Newfoundland		-		-
Total for Canada	9,725	21,140	1 -	30,865
Points in U.S.A.				
Pacific Ports	492	41	_	533
Atlantic Ports	* *	8,327	_	8,327
Other points		30,979		31,264
Total for U.S.A	777	39,347	-	40,124
United Kingdom	6 8 6 6	-	_	-
Other countries		468(1)	-	468
Total reported shipments	10,502	60,955	-	71,457
			_	
stimated shipments and adjustments				8,643

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

	By truck and local sales	By rail	Water- borne	Total shipments
		M ft.	o.m.	
Central Interior mills (reported shipments)				
: Points in Canada				
	10.100			10.00-
British Columbia	12,189	208	-	12,397
Yukon and Northwest Territories	54	92	_	146
Alberta	80	340	h 9 p	420
Saskatchewan	~	78		78
Manitoba	in the second	391		391
Ontario	-	1,430	-	1,430
Quebec	-	-	-	-
New Brunswick	-	in the second	-	-
Nova Scotia	-	_	-	_
Prince Edward Island	-	-		-
Newfoundland	-	-		-
Total for Canada	12,323	2,539	•	14,862
Points in U.S.A.				
Pacific Ports		1,419	-	1,419
Atlantic Ports		3,171	-	3,171
Other points	1,106	28,509		29,615
Total for U.S.A	1,106	33,099	- 10	34,205
United Kingdom	• • •	_	865	865
Other countries	* * *	-	-	-
Total reported shipments	13,429	35,638	865	49,932
				. 10,768
timated shipments and adjustments .				. 10,700

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

April 1968

	By truck and local sales	By rail	Water- borne	Total shipment
		M ft.	b.m.	
Northern Interior mills (reported shipments)				
o: Points in Canada				
British Columbia	4,544	1,016	1-11	5,560
Yukon and Northwest Territories	88	-,	-	88
Alberta	230	1,625		1,855
Saskatchewan	-	80		80
Manitoba	-	748		748
Ontario	-	6,296	_	6,296
Quebec	-	724	-	724
New Brunswick	_	-	_	_
Nova Scotia	_	-	_	-
Prince Edward Island	-	_	-	-
Newfoundland	-	-	-	-
Total for Canada	4,862	10,489	-	15,351
Points in U.S.A.				
Pacific Ports	_	2,214	_	2,214
Atlantic Ports	0 0 0	15,677	-	15,677
Other points	1,539	72,520	e 6 s	74,059
Total for U.S.A	1,539	90,411	-	91,950
United Kingdom		3,759(1)	S =	3,759
Other countries		J, /J/(1)	-	3,737
Total reported shipments	6,401	104,659	day.	111,060
stimated shipments and adjustments				12,340
Total shipments				123,400

⁽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
April 1968

Species	Reported	Estimated	Tota1
		MM ft. b.m.	
Lumber and ties sawn			
Douglas fir	91.0	2.3	93.3
lemlock	164.1	0.8	164.9
ed cedar	69.9	-	69.9
pruce	9.1	0.1	9.2
All other softwoods	9.9	- 1	9.9
Total softwoods	344.1	3.2	347.3
Total hardwoods	0.2	-	0.2
Total softwoods and hardwoods	344.3	3.2	347.5
Stocks of lumber and ties			
ouglas fir	117.4	1.6	119.0
lemlock	175.2	1.8	177.0
led cedar	80.9	-	80.9
pruce	6.2	1.1	7.3
all other softwoods	17.1	1.3	18.4
Total softwoods	396.8	5.8	402.6
Total hardwoods	0.4	0.5	0.9
Total softwoods and hardwoods	397.2	6.3	403.5

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

	A	pril
	1967	1968
	M f	t. b.m.
Orders on hand		
For shipments to points in British		
Columbia		
Local	48,365	30,399
Coastwise and interior	4,044	3,740
Totals	52,409	34,139
For shipments by rail and truck to		
Prairie Provinces	5,635	8,447
Eastern Provinces	13,156	16,393
United States	34,644	38,150
Totals	53,435	62,990
For waterborne shipments to		
California	2,450	2,850
U.S.A. Atlantic Ports	206,911	220,398
Eastern Canada	3,550	4,626
Other export markets	551,175	618,429
Totals	764,086	846,303
Total orders on hand	869,930	943,432

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

April 1968

Species	Sout	hern region		Сет	tral region		Nort	hern region	L
27222	Reported	Estimated	Total	Reported	Estimated	Total	Reported	Estimated	Total
				MM ft.	b.m.				
Lumber and ties sawn									
Douglas fir	15.8	3.8	19.6	19.8	2.7	22.5	1.4	0.3	1.
Hemlock	2.2	0.5	2.7	-	-	-	3.2	0.6	3.
Red cedar	5.4	1.3	6.7	-	-	***	3.7	0.7	4.4
Spruce	19.7	4.7	24.4	19.5	2.6	22.1	80.2	14.5	94.
All other softwoods	6.8	1.6	8.4	11.5	1.5	13.0	6.9	1.2	8.1
Total softwoods	49.9	12.0	61.9	50.9	6.8	57.7	95.4	17.3	112.
Total hardwoods	0.1	_	0.1	ents.	deb	rink	-	-	_
Total softwoods and			-						
hardwoods	50.0	12.0	62.0	50.9	6.8	57.7	95.4	17.3	112.
			•						
Stocks of lumber and ties									
Douglas fir	29.5	2.8	32.3	12.1	1.9	14.0	3.2	1.0	4.
Hemlock	6.2	0.6	6.8	_	-	_	6.0	2.0	8.0
Red cedar	9.3	0.9	10.2	abelo.	-	_	2.3	0.7	3.
Spruce	91.5	8.8	100.3	18.0	2.8	20.8	174.9	56.6	231.
All other softwoods	24.6	2.3	26.9	8.6	1.3	9.9	12.5	4.1	16.
Total softwoods	161.0	15.4	176.4	38.7	6.0	44.8	198.9	64.4	263.
Total hardwoods	1.0	0.1	1.1	dres	des	-		-	-
Total softwoods and hardwoods	162.0	15.5	177.5	38.7	6.0	44.8	198.9	64.4	263.

TABLE 7. Purchases and Transfers by Reporting Mills
April 1968

		Ir	Interior mills		
	Coast mills	Southern region	Central region	Northern region	
		М	ft. b.m.		
Receipts of reporting mills of custom sawn lumber and ties	3,831	2,867	1,784	162	
Returns by reporting mills of custom sawn lumber and ties(1)	8,402	2,367	7,334	3,226	
Lumber purchased from other mills	3,613	2,088	2,012	10,098	

⁽¹⁾ Returned to owners.

TABLE 8. Exports of Softwood Lumber from Canada

	February 1968		Two months ended February 1968	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
	MM ft. b.m.	\$'000	MM ft. b.m.	\$'000
Douglas fir	70.9	5,863	165.8	13,879
Western white spruce	123.2	9,049	213.2	15,533
Hemlock	92.1	7,097	265.9	20,289
Western red cedar	41.4	3,753	85.7	7,862

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

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

	April		
	1967	1968	
Lumber mills industry (Canada)	109.1	123.2	
Douglas fir, B.C Coast) Interior)	109.9	(135.3	
Spruce, B.C. Interior	89.9	103.2	
Hemlock, B.C. Coast	110.2	127.8	
Cedar	139.9	156.5	

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

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