

TENNESSEE FOREST PRODUCTS BULLETIN

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A CONDENSED REPORT ON FOREST PRODUCTS, PRICES,
SPECIFICATIONS, EQUIPMENT, UTILIZATION NEWS, ETC.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

MARKET REPORT:

The forest product market this quarter is still showing evidence of a wet year. In many areas roundwood inventories are below normal and have been since last fall. As a result, many secondary mills are reporting low inventories of lumber, crossties, pulp, and other forest products. Price increases have occurred for hardwood pulpwood, crossties, and sawlogs in many areas. Most contacts feel that prices for the above products will remain stable on through the winter even if we have a dry fall because it will take time for forest product supplies to catch up. This year has been a good time for landowners to sell timber because of low mill inventories however, it couldn't have been much worse for loggers. In many areas loggers have not had enough dry weather times to stay up with equipment payments. Let's face it, if loggers struggle then the rest of the industry will too. We need to find a way to keep loggers in business or we are in for big trouble. Hopefully, the overall economy is on its way back and there are some good signs that it is. Housing is strong and furniture seems to be heading in the right direction too. We at the Division of Forestry want to wish all of you a very happy and healthy upcoming holiday season.

ONE-DAY CONTINUING EDUCATION MASTER LOGGER CLASSES:

Master Loggers are required to attend a one-day continuing education class every two years. Following is a list of upcoming one-day continuing education classes:

October 16	Counce PCA Training Center	SFI Compliance
October 30	Calhoun Bowater Credit Union	TBA

To register and/or for more information on these classes and other classes that will be scheduled, contact the Tennessee Forestry Association at (615)883-3832.

SELECTED TENNESSEE FOREST STATISTICS 1948-1999

YEAR	COMM. FOREST ACREAGE (TIMBER-LAND)	SAW-TIMBER VOLUME ALL SPECIES MILLION BD. FT.	GROWING STOCK VOLUME ALL SPECIES MILLION CU. FT.	NET ANNUAL GROWTH OF GROWING STOCK-ALL SPECIES MILLION CU. FT.	ANNUAL REMOVAL OF GROWING STOCK-ALL SPECIES MILLION CU. FT.	ANNUAL GROWTH TO REMOVAL RATIO	NUMBER OF ACTIVE PRIMARY MILLS
1948-50	12,353,800	16,240.0	5,728.5	285.5	252.3	1.1 : 1	2789
1961	13,432,400	20,081.8	7,209.4	322.1	207.7	1.5 : 1	1135
1971	12,819,800	26,340.2	10,395.8	509.1	216.4	2.3 : 1	546
1980	12,879,000	38,897.3	12,805.2	511.4	213.7	2.4 : 1	718
1989	13,265,200	53,613.6	16,682.7	637.4	219.4	2.9 : 1	579
1999	13,965,000	72,795.8	22,456.4	748.6	383.6	2.0 : 1	519

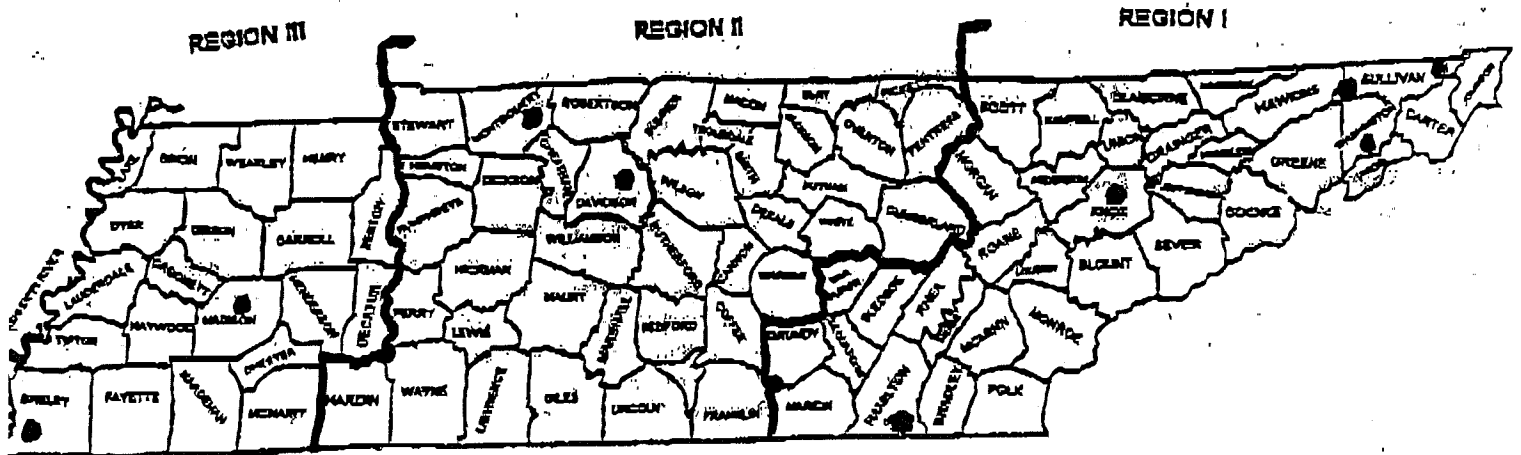
Source: U. S. Forest Service, Tennessee Department of Agriculture, Forestry Division

Delivered Forest Product Prices

PRODUCT	SPECIFICATIONS	PRICES	REGION								
Cedar Logs	Length-6' to 12' and min DIB 4" at small end	\$64.00/ton (also \$ 350/ MBF Cedar 2/3 Rule)	Region II								
Crossties	7" X 9" X 8' 6" 7" X 8" X 8' 6" 6" X 8" X 8' 6"	<table style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;"><u>Oak</u></td> <td style="text-align: center;"><u>Mixed Hdwd</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Grade 5: \$19.00+</td> <td>\$18.06+</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Grade 4: \$16.22+</td> <td>\$15.50+</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Grade 3: \$10.50+</td> <td>\$10.33+</td> </tr> </table>	<u>Oak</u>	<u>Mixed Hdwd</u>	Grade 5: \$19.00+	\$18.06+	Grade 4: \$16.22+	\$15.50+	Grade 3: \$10.50+	\$10.33+	Region I, II, & III
<u>Oak</u>	<u>Mixed Hdwd</u>										
Grade 5: \$19.00+	\$18.06+										
Grade 4: \$16.22+	\$15.50+										
Grade 3: \$10.50+	\$10.33+										
Crosstie Logs	Oak & Mixed Hardwoods, length-min. 8 ½' and min. DIB 10" at small end-straight and sound.	\$249.50+/MBF Doyle	Region I, II, III								
Hickory Handle Logs	Min length 10' and min DIB 9" at small end	Grade 1: \$350/MBF Doyle Grade 2: \$325/MBF Doyle	Region I								
Hickory Handle Logs	Min length 10' and min DIB 9" at small end	Grade 1: \$300/MBF Doyle Grade 2: \$275/MBF Doyle	Region II								
Hickory Handle Logs	Min. length 10' and min. DIB 10" at small end	Grade 1: \$450/MBF Doyle Grade 2: \$350/MBF Doyle	Region III								
Paulownia Logs	Min. length 8' and Min. DIB 8" at small end. (Must be slow grown – prefer 8-10 growth rings per inch)	\$1,000.00 to \$5,000.00/MBF Doyle (Market is VERY slow) (Average \$2,000.00)	Region I, II, & III								
NOTE: Information was taken from a survey of randomly selected wood- using industries in Tennessee.	Specifications vary with industries	All prices are regional averages and are delivered prices per MBF Doyle unless otherwise indicated. They are subject to change and will vary locally. (A "+" indicates an increase since our last Bulletin; A "-" indicates a decrease).	Region I-East Tennessee; Region II-Middle Tennessee; Region III-West Tennessee (See map on page 4)								

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PRODUCT	SPECIFICATIONS	PRICES	REGION
Pulpwood	Pine: Diameter, length, and species may vary with purchasing company. Consult firm first before cutting	\$24.00+/ton or \$64.20+/cord (5350 lbs./ cord) (Gatewood Price)	Region I
Pulpwood	Hardwood: Diameter, length, and species may vary with purchasing company. Consult firm first before cutting	\$23.50+/ton or \$68.15+/cord (5800 lbs./cord) (Gatewood Price)	Region I
Pulpwood	Pine: Diameter, length, and species may vary with purchasing company. Consult firm first before cutting	\$21.50+/ton or \$57.51+/cord (5350 lbs./ cord) (Gatewood Price)	Region II & III
Pulpwood	Hardwood: Diameter, length, and species may vary with purchasing company. Consult firm first before cutting	\$22.33+/ton or \$64.76+/cord (5800 lbs./cord) (Gatewood Price)	Region II & III



Product: *Hardwood Sawlogs*

Specifications: (*Length: 8' - 16' ; and Min. DIB 8" at small end*)
Delivered Prices**

SPECIES	REGION I	REGION II	REGION III
Red Oak	Grade 1: \$900.00+ Grade 2: \$579.17+ Grade 3: \$287.50+	Grade 1: \$875.50+ Grade 2: \$626.50+ Grade 3: \$321.50+	Grade 1: \$811.22 Grade 2: \$530.17 Grade 3: \$312.67
White Oak	Grade 1: \$662.50+ Grade 2: \$361.25+ Grade 3: \$225.00+	Grade 1: \$600.00- Grade 2: \$412.00- Grade 3: \$237.00+	Grade 1: \$595.90 Grade 2: \$366.78 Grade 3: \$218.83
Ash	Grade 1: \$450.00 Grade 2: \$275.00- Grade 3: \$137.50+	Grade 1: \$393.00- Grade 2: \$228.25- Grade 3: \$138.25-	Grade 1: \$562.50 Grade 2: \$268.75 Grade 3: \$160.00
Yellow Poplar	Grade 1: \$385.00+ Grade 2: \$237.50+ Grade 3: \$150.00+	Grade 1: \$419.50- Grade 2: \$285.00- Grade 3: \$160.75-	Grade 1: \$368.33 Grade 2: \$247.53 Grade 3: \$158.38
Walnut	Grade 1: \$675.00 Grade 2: \$462.50 Grade 3: \$287.50	Grade 1: \$737.50+ Grade 2: \$409.00+ Grade 3: \$249.50-	Grade 1: \$1025.00 Grade 2: \$725.00 Grade 3: \$400.00
Hickory	Grade 1: \$312.50+ Grade 2: \$212.50 Grade 3: \$118.75-	Grade 1: \$418.00+ Grade 2: \$286.75+ Grade 3: \$158.25+	Grade 1: \$250.00 Grade 2: \$200.00 Grade 3: \$140.00
Hard Maple	Grade 1: \$637.50 Grade 2: \$375.00 Grade 3: \$200.00	Grade 1: \$568.00+ Grade 2: \$330.50+ Grade 3: \$168.25-	Grade 1: \$750.00 Grade 2: \$550.00 Grade 3: \$250.00
Sweetgum			Average: \$170.00
Miscellaneous Hardwoods	Average: \$142.50+	Average: \$178.50-	Average: \$165.84

****Note:** Prices quoted are per
thousand board feet (MBF)
Doyle Rule delivered to
mill.

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PRODUCT	SPECIFICATIONS	PRICES	REGION
Softwood Logs	Length: 8'-16' and min DIB 6" at small end.	Yellow Pine: \$216.25/MBF Doyle White Pine: \$250.00/MBF Doyle Hemlock: \$250.00/MBF Doyle	Region I & II
Softwood Logs	Length: 8'-16' (Prefer 12'-16') and min. 8" DIB at small end.	Yellow Pine: \$40.00/ton \$300.00/MBF Doyle	Region III
Stave Logs	White Oak- Length: 8' and min. DIB 9" at small end.	Grade 1: \$650.00/MBF Doyle Grade 2: \$550.00/MBF Doyle Grade :3 \$450.00/MBF Doyle	Region I, II, III
Veneer Logs	Prime logs only (specifications vary with buyer).	Red Oak: \$1,100.00-\$1,500.00/MBF Doyle White Oak: \$900-\$1,500/MBF Doyle Walnut: \$1,200-\$2,000/MBF Doyle Yellow Poplar: \$500.00-\$600.00/MBF Doyle	Region I, II, III

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TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE -- DIVISION OF FORESTRY

<u>CITY</u>	<u>FORESTER</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>ZIP</u>	<u>TELEPHONE</u>
ALCOA	AREA	332 SANDERSON ST.	37701	865/981-2399
ATHENS	AREA	P. O. BOX 943	37371-0943	423/744-2818
BROWNSVILLE	AREA	P. O. BOX 202	38012	731/772-4592
BURNS	DISTRICT	3497 Church St.	37029	615/797-3117
CARTHAGE	AREA	P. O. BOX 13	37030	615/735-0300
CENTERVILLE	AREA	P. O. BOX 101	37033	931/729-3535
CLARKSVILLE	AREA	P. O. BOX 814	37041	931/552-3909
CLEVELAND	AREA	P. O. BOX 4817	37320-4817	423/478-0335
COOKEVILLE	DISTRICT	390 SOUTH LOWE, SUITE 10	38501-4702	931/526-9502
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CROSSVILLE	AREA	2670 HIGHWAY 127 SOUTH	38555	931/484-4227
DAYTON	AREA	P. O. BOX 384	37321	423/775-0251
DRESDEN	AREA	P. O. BOX 226	38225	731/364-3430
DUNLAP	AREA	P. O. BOX 234	37327	423/949-3821
ELIZABETHTON	AREA	P. O. BOX 906	37644	423/542-9221
ERIN	AREA	P. O. BOX 179	37061	931/289-4527
GREENEVILLE	DISTRICT	P. O. BOX 731	37744	423/636-8805
HIXSON	DISTRICT	P. O. BOX 160	37343	423/634-3091
HUNTINGDON	AREA	P. O. BOX 785	38344	731/986-9528
JEFFERSON CITY	AREA	P. O. BOX 265	37760	865/475-7788
JONESBORO	AREA	P. O. BOX 202	37659	423/753-2851
KNOXVILLE	DISTRICT	P. O. BOX 2666	37901-2666	865/594-6432
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LAFOLLETTE	AREA	209 NORTH INDIANA AVE.	37766	423/566-3715
LAWRENCEBURG	AREA	57 FIRE TOWER ROAD	38464	931/766-1413
LEXINGTON	DISTRICT	P. O. BOX 438	38351	731/968-6676
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LIVINGSTON	AREA	P. O. BOX 226	38570	931/823-2428
MCMINNVILLE	AREA	P. O. BOX 732	37110	931/473-2418
NASHVILLE	STATE	P. O. BOX 40627	37204	615/837-5454
NASHVILLE	AREA	6077 FIRE TOWER RD.	37065	615/352-2704
RIPLEY	AREA	P. O. BOX 624	38063	731/635-4799
ROCKWOOD	AREA	4314 ROANE STATE HWY	37854	865/354-0258
ROGERSVILLE	AREA	P. O. BOX 121	37857	423/272-7130
SAVANNAH	AREA	1485 FIRE TOWER ROAD	38372-4815	731/925-3157
SELMER	AREA	P. O. BOX 471	38375	731/645-3531
SHELBYVILLE	AREA	709-A E. LANE ST.	37160	931/685-5030
TAZEWELL	AREA	2178 HIGHWAY 25 EAST # 1	37879	423/526-2992