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PRODUCTION OF CALIFORNIA TIMBER OPERATORS IN 1976 ^{1/}

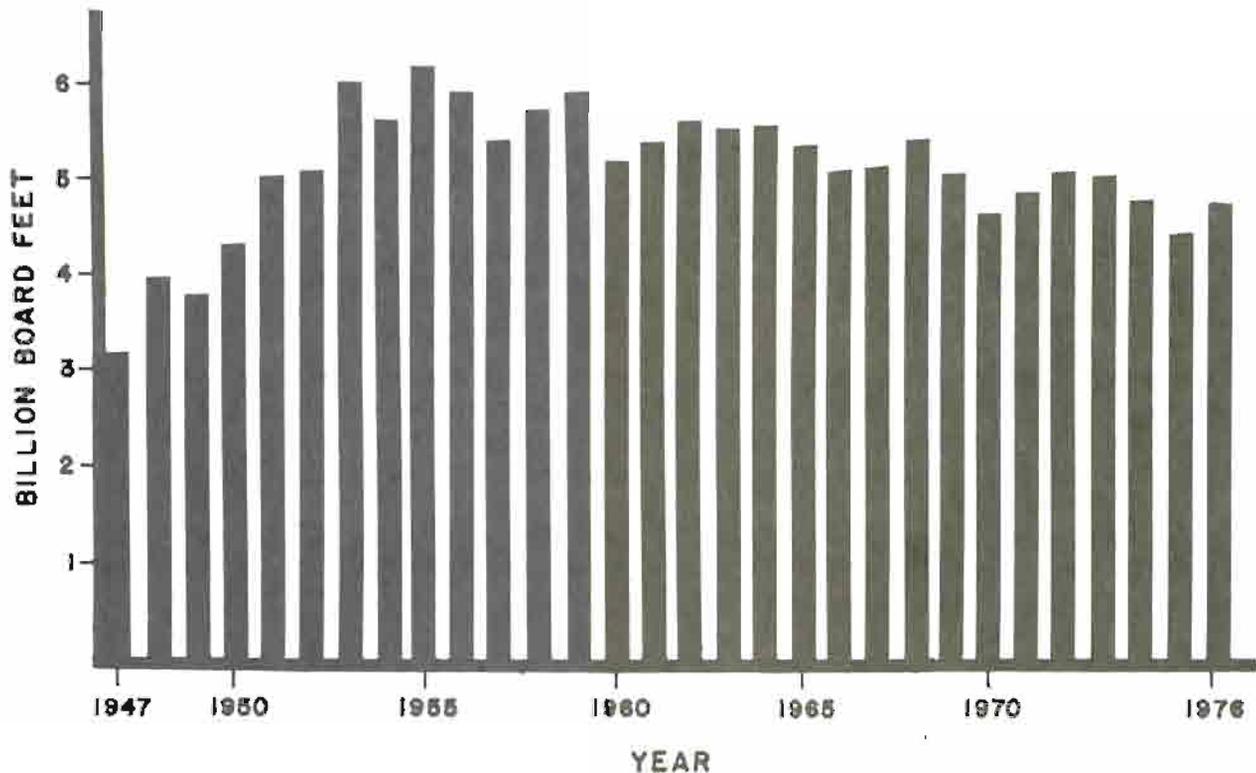


Fig. 1. Timber production in California from 1947-1976.

^{1/} Brian Barrette and Mark Stanley of the Director of Forestry's staff compiled this report from information supplied by California timber operators, Department of Forestry forest practice inspectors, and others.

The production of California's 1,280 timber operators increased 9.2 percent in 1976 from the 1975 output. Production of timber products amounted to 4,731,335,000 board feet in 1976.

The increased demand for lumber and wood products by the construction industry coupled with the long logging season due to the drought, plus a strong demand for wood chips for both domestic and foreign use is reflected in the 1976 timber production figures.

While the information in the following tables is reduced to a common log scale and no separation is made between sawlogs and veneer logs, nor ownerships, and county data is sometimes difficult to determine due to the lack of information from some operators and duplications in other cases it is felt that this data is the most accurate available at this time.

Lumber production for California in 1976 as reported by the Western Wood Products Association was 5.333 billion board feet; an increase of 14.5 percent from the 4.657 reported in 1975. Plywood production was reported to be 603 million square feet; down 7.2 percent from the 1975 figure of 649.6 as reported by the American Plywood Association.

Log exports were 109.8 million board feet in 1976; up 24.9 percent from the 87.9 total for 1975 as reported by the U. S. Department of Commerce.

Chip exports were 366,678 oven dry tons which was up a whopping 42.3 percent from the 1975 total of 257,735 as reported by the U. S. Department of Commerce.

Employment during 1976 as reported by the Employment Development Department was 59,900 in the lumber and wood products sector and 36,700 in the paper and allied products sector for a total of 96,600; which was up 10.7 percent from the 1975 total of 87,300.

While this report does not differentiate between public and privately owned timber, reports from the respective agencies indicate that the following volume was harvested in 1976.

U. S. Forest Service	1,889,593,620	Board Feet
California Department of Forestry	39,835,000	" "
Bureau of Land Management	18,769,000	" "
Bureau of Indian Affairs	50,001,000	" "
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Total Public Harvest	1,998,198,620	" "

Table 1. Active Timber Operators, 1946-1976.

Year	Timber Operators (Number)	Timber Volume Cut (Board Feet)
1946	399	
1947	790	3,185,995,000
1948	810	3,983,213,000
1949	813	3,795,252,000
1950	989	4,303,011,000
1951	1,052	4,984,288,000
1952	1,228	5,057,036,000
1953	1,487	5,990,088,000
1954	1,599	5,600,310,000
1955	1,768	6,014,939,000
1956	1,718	5,861,634,000
1957	1,591	5,346,521,000
1958	1,526	5,675,392,000
1959	1,677	5,886,061,000
1960	1,598	5,136,649,000
1961	1,493	5,342,250,000
1962	1,486	5,538,928,000
1963	1,632	5,461,046,000
1964	1,435	5,476,265,000
1965	1,353	5,271,234,000
1966	1,273	5,008,318,000
1967	1,215	5,062,021,000
1968	1,243	5,343,898,000
1969	1,330	5,000,596,000
1970	1,167	4,565,827,000
1971	1,180	4,789,617,000
1972	1,185	5,000,507,000
1973	1,293	4,923,488,000
1974	1,453	4,703,614,000
1975	1,256	4,334,423,000
1976	1,280	4,731,335,000

Table 2. California Timber Production in 1976.

County	No. of Timber Operators ^{1/}	Veneer Logs & Saw Logs (MBM)	Pulpwood (MBM)	Misc. (MBM)	Total (MBM)
Alpine	-	3,500	-	-	3,500
Amador	11	37,466	2,000	37	39,503
Butte	40	69,138	555	256	69,949
Calaveras	17	56,886	3,346	146	60,378
Colusa-Sutter	-	6,554	-	150	6,704
Del Norte	32	227,638	14,172	738	242,548
El Dorado	53	219,893	6,700	1,445	228,038
Fresno	6	94,448	-	-	94,448
Glenn	8	47,690	-	-	47,690
Humboldt	276	941,888	15,818	1,448	959,154
Inyo	-	1,650	-	-	1,650
Lake	11	7,566	-	652	8,218
Lassen	24	123,000	214	106	123,320
Kern	5	18,960	-	-	18,960
Madera	7	52,408	-	5	52,413
Mariposa-Merced	2	20,304	-	212	20,516
Mendocino	132	556,357	14,007	2,742	573,106
Modoc	13	95,689	2,600	-	98,289
Mono	-	3,274	-	-	3,274
Monterey	2	70	-	85	155
Napa-Marin	10	316	-	207	523
Nevada	44	54,244	200	339	54,783
Placer	44	117,245	30	342	117,617
Plumas	38	219,778	626	15	220,419
San Bernardino-Los Angeles	16	9,375	-	1,680	11,055
San Diego-Riverside	4	990	-	275	1,265
San Mateo	10	5,768	-	75	5,843
Santa Clara-Contra Costa-					
San Benito-Alameda	26	500	100	303	903
Santa Cruz	25	12,594	-	25	12,619
San Luis Obispo	1	150	-	10	160
Shasta	111	450,682	126	739	451,547
Sierra	14	87,959	-	303	88,262
Siskiyou	54	362,758	1,429	244	364,431
Sonoma	45	48,652	10	1,455	50,117
Tehama	17	158,267	-	6	158,273
Trinity	30	250,992	3,947	93	255,032
Tulare	9	67,257	-	18	67,275
Tuolumne	17	184,280	-	240	184,520
Yuba	21	33,194	1,508	176	34,878
Total	1,280	4,649,380	67,388	14,567	4,731,335

^{1/} Listed by mailing address; not necessarily where they operated during the year.

Table 3. Production of Miscellaneous Forest Products in California 1976.

County	Split Products (MBM)	Poles & Piling ^{1/} (Pieces)	Fence Posts ^{2/} (Pieces)	Fuel-wood ^{3/} (Cords)	Total (MBM)
Alpine	-	-	-	-	-
Amador	-	365	-	-	37
Butte	10	2,047	300	75	256
Calaveras	-	370	-	218	146
Colusa-Sutter	-	-	-	300	150
Del Norte	684	-	-	100	738
El Dorado	5	2,665	400	2,338	1,445
Fresno	-	-	-	-	-
Glenn	-	-	-	-	-
Humboldt	1,373	20	500	134	1,448
Inyo	-	-	-	-	-
Lake	-	-	-	1,304	652
Lassen	-	501	150	78	106
Kern	-	-	-	-	-
Madera	-	-	-	10	5
Mariposa-Merced	-	1,650	1,500	60	212
Mendocino	352	5,270	62,500	2,350	2,742
Modoc	-	-	-	-	-
Mono	-	-	-	-	-
Monterey	-	-	-	170	85
Napa-Marin	-	-	-	414	207
Nevada	5	1,200	-	427	339
Placer	-	1,530	-	377	342
Plumas	12	-	-	5	15
San Bernardino-Los Angeles	-	-	-	3,360	1,680
San Diego-Riverside	-	-	-	550	275
San Mateo	-	-	-	150	75
Santa Clara-Contra Costa-Alameda-Stanislaus-San Benito	-	-	-	606	303
Santa Cruz	-	-	-	50	25
San Luis Obispo	-	-	-	20	10
Shasta	11	3,298	225	792	739
Sierra	-	-	20	606	303
Siskiyou	-	1,270	2,150	186	244
Sonoma	-	-	1,250	2,882	1,455
Tehama	-	-	500	-	6
Trinity	15	143	-	128	93
Tulare	-	-	-	35	18
Tuolumne	-	-	-	480	240
Yuba	5	402	500	250	176
Total	2,472	20,731	69,995	18,455 ^{4/}	14,567

^{1/} 100 board feet per piece.

^{2/} 11 board feet per piece.

^{3/} 500 board feet per cord.

^{4/} In addition to what was reported by operators, the U. S. Forest Service reported issuing 47,707 fuelwood permits at 8 cords each. If all the permits were filled this would equal 381,656 cords or 190,828,000 board feet.

Table 4. Production of Other Forest Products
in California in 1976.

County	Christmas Trees ^{1/} (Number)	Greenery (Tons)	Burls (Tons)	Bark (Cords)
Alpine	-	-	-	-
Amador	4,723	-	-	-
Butte	9,800	1/2	-	-
Calaveras	6,009	-	-	-
Colusa-Sutter	500	-	-	-
Del Norte	150	-	-	-
El Dorado	15,136	3	-	-
Fresno	-	-	-	-
Glenn	312	-	-	-
Humboldt	350	-	-	-
Inyo	-	-	-	-
Lake	130	-	-	-
Lassen	36,429	1/4	-	-
Kern	-	-	-	-
Madera	2,400	-	-	-
Mariposa-Merced	1,200	1	-	-
Mendocino	218	3	134	20
Modoc	1,514	-	-	-
Mono	-	-	-	-
Monterey	-	-	-	-
Napa-Marin	-	-	-	-
Nevada	9,615	1/4	-	-
Placer	8,253	1	-	-
Plumas	63,521	1	-	-
San Bernardino-Los Angeles	50	-	-	-
San Diego-Riverside	1,950	-	-	-
San Mateo	-	-	-	-
Santa Clara-Contra Costa- Alameda-Stanislaus-San Benito	3,000	-	-	-
Santa Cruz	3,234	-	-	-
San Luis Obispo	-	-	-	-
Shasta	119,745	-	-	-
Sierra	77,058	-	-	-
Siskiyou	59,976	40	-	-
Sonoma	2,882	150	-	-
Tehama	27,422	-	-	-
Trinity	-	-	-	-
Tulare	-	-	-	-
Tuolumne	310	-	-	-
Yuba	1,500	-	-	-
Total	457,387	200	134	20

^{1/} For the most part this total does not include choose and cut plantation Christmas tree production.