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PRODUCTION OF CALIFORNIA TIMBER OPERATORS IN 1975 ^{1/}

The production of California's 1,266 timber operators dropped 7.85 percent in production in 1975 from the 1974 output. Production of timber products amounted to 4,334,423,000 board feet in 1975.



Fig. 1. Horse logging in Del Norte County.

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The continuing lower demand for lumber by the construction industry was one of the causes in the downward trend in timber production for the last three years. Less demand for wood chips market also assisted in lower production figures. There was considerable increase in fuelwood production primarily due to better reporting and the increased use of wood for heating fuel. The top five counties remained the same as 1974. They are Humboldt, Mendocino, Siskiyou, Shasta and El Dorado.

The information in the following tables was reduced to a common base; sawlogs and veneer logs were not segregated. There was no attempt to convert all units to a common log scale. Most of the reports made no mention of the scale used. Counties in which no timber was reported were deleted from this report. Some counties are combined to keep confidential individual production. The reports included both government and private ownership and no attempt was made to differentiate. Choose and cut plantation production is not included in the report about Christmas trees.

Each fence post was given a value of 11 board feet and each pole or piling 100 board feet. Information received from timber operators when filing notices of their 1976 operations was volunteered.

Table 1. Active Timber Operators, 1946-1975.

| 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 |

Table 2. California Timber Production in 1975.

| County | No. of Timber Operators | Veneer Logs & Saw Logs (MBM) | Pulpwood (MBM) | Misc. (MBM) | Total (MBM) |
|--|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Alpine, Mono, Inyo | 3 | 2,212 | - | - | 2,212 |
| Amador | 25 | 40,130 | - | 102 | 40,232 |
| Butte | 43 | 42,740 | 200 | 216 | 43,156 |
| Calaveras | 37 | 35,723 | 28 | 226 | 35,977 |
| Del Norte | 20 | 203,183 | 5,344 | 359 | 208,886 |
| El Dorado | 65 | 255,260 | 5,944 | 748 | 261,952 |
| Fresno | 9 | 136,296 | - | 8 | 136,304 |
| Glenn | 9 | 28,868 | - | 1,004 | 29,872 |
| Humboldt | 311 | 948,792 | 5,627 | 894 | 955,313 |
| Lake, Colusa | 9 | 14,683 | 100 | 3,397 | 18,180 |
| Lassen | 60 | 107,960 | 4,211 | 138 | 112,309 |
| Madera | 5 | 64,263 | - | 26 | 64,289 |
| Mariposa, Merced | 9 | 15,934 | - | 43 | 15,977 |
| Mendocino | 124 | 474,438 | 14,681 | 1,423 | 490,542 |
| Modoc | 35 | 80,915 | - | - | 80,915 |
| Monterey, San Luis Obispo | 6 | 20 | - | - | 20 |
| Napa, Marin, Solano | 2 | - | - | - | - |
| Nevada | 71 | 37,230 | 150 | 333 | 37,713 |
| Placer | 68 | 131,244 | - | 325 | 131,569 |
| Plumas | 67 | 213,969 | 531 | 35 | 214,535 |
| San Bernardino, Los Angeles | 23 | 20,516 | - | 70 | 20,586 |
| San Diego, Riverside | 6 | - | - | 70 | 70 |
| San Mateo | 15 | 6,653 | - | 18 | 6,671 |
| Santa Clara, San Benito Contra Costa, Alameda | 11 | - | 200 | - | 200 |
| Santa Cruz | 31 | 9,679 | 500 | 156 | 10,335 |
| Shasta | 102 | 328,110 | 529 | 1,792 | 330,431 |
| Sierra | 29 | 63,340 | 100 | 304 | 63,744 |
| Siskiyou | 123 | 391,662 | 2,686 | 1,096 | 395,444 |
| Sonoma | 48 | 66,981 | 28 | 1,423 | 68,432 |
| Tehama | 33 | 132,835 | - | 8,250 | 141,085 |
| Trinity | 44 | 183,140 | 1,026 | 82 | 184,248 |
| Tulare, Kern, Ventura | 17 | 82,619 | - | 38 | 82,657 |
| Tuolumne | 21 | 120,577 | 82 | 63 | 120,722 |
| Yuba | 14 | 28,620 | 1,000 | 225 | 29,845 |
| Total | 1,256 | 4,268,592 | 42,967 | 22,864 | 4,334,423 |

Table 3. Production of Miscellaneous Forest Products in California 1975.

| County | Split Products (MBM) | Poles Piling (Pieces) | Fence Posts (Pieces) | Fuel-wood (CDS) | Total (MBM) |
|--|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------------|-------------|
| Alpine, Mono, Inyo | - | - | - | - | - |
| Amador | - | - | - | 205 | 102 |
| Butte | - | - | - | 432 | 216 |
| Calaveras | - | 410 | - | 369 | 226 |
| Del Norte | 319 | - | - | 80 | 359 |
| El Dorado | - | 1,918 | - | 1,113 | 748 |
| Fresno | - | - | - | 16 | 8 |
| Glenn | - | 7,935 | - | 421 | 1,004 |
| Humboldt | 814 | - | - | 160 | 894 |
| Lake, Colusa | - | 2,100 | - | 6,375 | 3,397 |
| Lassen | - | 143 | 210 | 244 | 138 |
| Madera | - | - | - | 52 | 26 |
| Mariposa, Merced | - | - | 1,500 | 54 | 43 |
| Mendocino | 703 | 2,397 | - | 960 | 1,423 |
| Modoc | - | - | - | - | - |
| Monterey, San Luis Obispo | - | - | - | - | - |
| Napa, Marin, Solano | - | - | - | - | - |
| Nevada | - | 2,450 | - | 177 | 333 |
| Placer | - | 380 | - | 574 | 325 |
| Plumas | 5 | - | - | 60 | 35 |
| San Bernardino, Los Angeles | - | - | - | 140 | 70 |
| San Diego, Riverside | - | - | - | 139 | 70 |
| San Mateo | - | - | 540 | 25 | 18 |
| Santa Clara, San Benito Contra Costa, Alameda | - | - | - | - | - |
| Santa Cruz | - | - | - | 312 | 156 |
| Shasta | - | 2,550 | - | 3,074 | 1,792 |
| Sierra | - | - | - | 608 | 304 |
| Siskiyou | - | 8,600 | 100 | 470 | 1,096 |
| Sonoma | - | - | - | 2,846 | 1,423 |
| Tehama | - | 500 | 700 | 16,385 | 8,250 |
| Trinity | 15 | 629 | - | 9 | 82 |
| Tulare, Kern, Ventura | - | - | - | 75 | 38 |
| Tuolumne | - | 300 | 701 | 50 | 63 |
| Yuba | 50 | 500 | - | 250 | 225 |
| Total | 1,906 | 30,812 | 3,751 | 35,675 | 22,864 |

Table 4. Production of Other Forest Products
in California 1975.

| County | Christmas Trees (Number) | Greenery (Tons) |
|--|--------------------------------|--------------------|
| Alpine, Mono, Inyo | 2,000 | - |
| Amador | 2,979 | 1 |
| Butte | 6,580 | - |
| Calaveras | 9,280 | - |
| Del Norte | 130 | 10 |
| El Dorado | 15,475 | 4 |
| Fresno | 2,035 | - |
| Glenn | 8,866 | - |
| Humboldt | 585 | 26 |
| Lake, Colusa | - | - |
| Lassen | 56,613 | 1 |
| Madera | 7,343 | - |
| Mariposa, Merced | 1,803 | - |
| Mendocino | 850 | - |
| Modoc | 3,630 | - |
| Monterey, San Luis Obispo | - | - |
| Napa, Marin, Solano | - | - |
| Nevada | 7,500 | - |
| Placer | 10,038 | - |
| Plumas | 60,206 | - |
| San Bernardino, Los Angeles | - | - |
| San Diego, Riverside | 75 | - |
| San Mateo | - | - |
| Santa Clara, San Benito Contra Costa, Alameda | - | - |
| Santa Cruz | 5,631 | - |
| Shasta | 73,485 | - |
| Sierra | 32,199 | - |
| Siskiyou | 40,197 | - |
| Sonoma | 79 | - |
| Tehama | 31,967 | - |
| Trinity | 1,315 | - |
| Tulare, Kern, Ventura | 5,184 | - |
| Tuolumne | 4,287 | - |
| Yuba | 6,696 | - |
| Total | 397,028 | 42 |