
Highlights

• The annual contribution of forest-based manufacturing and forest-related recreation and tourism to the economy in Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont and New York is over $19 billion.

• Forest-based manufacturing contributes $14.4 billion in value of shipments to the economy or 7.3% of the four-state total manufacturing sales.

• The forest-based manufacturing industry provides employment for 92,771 people and generates a payroll of over $3.4 billion.

• Forest-based recreation and tourism provides employment for over 44,400 and generates payrolls of $714 million.

• Revenues from forest-related recreation and tourism activities totaled $3.6 billion in 2005.

• Landowners in Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont and New York received estimated stumpage revenue in 2005 of $557 million.

• The sale of Christmas trees, wreaths, and maple syrup contributed approximately $66 million in 2005.

• Each 1,000 acres of forest land in the four-state region supports 1.9 forest-based manufacturing, forestry and logging jobs and 1.3 forest-related tourism and recreation jobs.

This publication is a summary of a series of state publications on the economic importance and value of forest-based manufacturing and forest-related recreation and tourism of the four states in the NEFA region — New York, Vermont, New Hampshire, and New Hampshire. The state reports are available in printed form and all are available online at www.nefainfo.org. The reports include an overview of the land base in each state and a summary of federal and state data from 2005 or newer that provide a picture of the forest-based manufacturing and forest-related recreation and tourism sectors of the economy.

The reports do not include indirect or induced multipliers, so all data provided represent direct contributions to the economy. The reports update a similar series produced by NEFA in 1995, 2001 and 2004. Different data sources and methods to calculate values were used for the 1995 and 2001 reports, so values from the current reports can only legitimately be compared to the 2004 reports. The economic benefits associated with forest values such as clean water, soil stabilization, and regional green space, among others, are not included in this report, so the final values are very conservative.

* Published August, 2007 using 2005 or better data.
2005 NEFA Region Wood Flow Estimates

NEFA REGION TOTALS
Harvested: 11,533,000 cords
Processed: 10,728,000 cords
Exported: 2,775,000 cords
Imported: 2,057,000 cords

Figure 3. WOOD FLOWS IN NEW YORK, 2005

New York 2005
All units are in 1000 cords
Harvested: 3,072
Processed: 2,388
Exported: 787
Imported: 335

Exported to Canada: 465
Imported from Canada: 2
Exported to Northeast states: 322
Imported from Northeastern states: 335

Figure 5. WOOD FLOWS IN VERMONT, 2005

Vermont 2005
All units are in 1000 cords
Harvested: 895
Processed: 807
Exported: 297
Imported: 207

Exported to Canada: 45
Imported from Canada: 4
Exported to Northeast states: 252
Imported from Northeastern states: 203

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New Hampshire 2005

All units are in 1000 cords

Harvested: 1,289
Processed: 1,072
Exported: 456
Imported: 142

Exported to Canada: 128
Imported from Canada: 1

Exported to Northeast states: 328
Imported from Northeastern states: 141

Maine 2005

All units are in 1000 cords

Harvested: 6,595
Processed: 6,333
Exported: 1,235
Imported: 1,373

Exported to Canada: 1,089
Imported from Canada: 688

Exported to Northeast states: 145
Imported from Northeastern states: 446

Source: Annual surveys by the states of New York, Vermont, New Hampshire and Maine, and USDA Forest Service.
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NEFA’S MISSION
Encourage sound decisions about the management and use of rural and urban forest resources in the NEFA region by: developing quality data and information about the forests of the region, identifying significant regional trends, assist the states in broadening awareness of forest health and sustainability issues, providing a regional context for state and local decisions about forest resources and analyzing the environmental, social and economic impacts of forest land use.

This series of reports, as well as other NEFA publications, and additional information about NEFA can be found at www.nefainfo.org. NEFA is the State Foresters of New York, Vermont, New Hampshire and Maine cooperating with the US Forest Service, State and Private Forestry.

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