

Veneers of Canadian manufacture are not confined to species native to Canada. A number of imported woods of special decorative value are veneered successfully and provide the furniture industry with a wide choice of materials. Exports of veneer and plywood produced in Canada increased in value from \$969,256 in 1938 to a high of \$32,717,126 in 1960.

24.—Veneer and Plywood Produced for Sale, by Type, 1958-60

Type	1958		1959		1960	
	Not over 1/20 Inch	Over 1/20 Inch	Not over 1/20 Inch	Over 1/20 Inch	Not over 1/20 Inch	Over 1/20 Inch
Veneer.....M sq. ft. \$	591,444 15,041,689	522,463 5,411,859	745,547 21,471,254	514,311 5,323,477	641,331 19,117,025	450,760 5,031,856
Domestic softwood.....M sq. ft. \$	7,234 93,830	457,051 3,546,471	6,779 89,380	444,526 3,517,631	8,254 110,526	381,024 3,088,996
Domestic hardwood....M sq. ft. \$	556,096 13,939,251	63,670 1,794,998	691,297 19,788,928	68,111 1,740,960	614,835 18,336,070	64,587 1,705,876
Imported wood.....M sq. ft. \$	28,114 1,008,608	1,742 70,390	47,471 1,592,946	1,674 64,886	18,242 670,429	5,169 236,984
Plywood (1/4 inch Basis)..M sq. ft. \$	1,532,177 95,763,254		1,532,175 101,346,523		1,638,914 98,485,813	
Domestic softwood.....M sq. ft. \$	1,276,766 70,389,579		1,231,339 71,287,508		1,381,575 71,828,995	
Domestic hardwood....M sq. ft. \$	243,636 22,517,968		276,298 25,075,147		237,092 22,117,225	
Imported wood.....M sq. ft. \$	11,775 2,855,707		24,538 4,983,868		20,247 4,539,593	

### Subsection 5.—Other Wood Industries

Based on the revised Standard Industrial Classification, which was introduced in 1960, there are nine separate wood industries other than the sawmills and the veneer and plywood mills. Most of these industries obtain from the sawmills the wood which they transform into planed or matched lumber, doors, windows, laminated structures, prefabricated buildings, boxes, barrels, caskets, etc. Veneer and plywood are also important raw materials used.

The wood industries do not include every industry into which wood enters as a raw material. Wood is an important raw material in the manufacture of furniture, agricultural implements, musical instruments, etc., industries which, as proven by experience, are more correctly classified under other groups.

As shown in Table 25, factory shipments of establishments classed in the wood industries—except sawmills and veneer and plywood mills—were valued at \$340,940,000 in 1960, an amount 7.4 p.c. below that of the previous year. The most significant declines were shown for the sash, door and planing mills industry and the hardwood flooring industry, both largely dependent upon the residential construction activity which experienced a lull in 1960; during the year, construction was started on 108,858 dwellings, 23 p.c. fewer than in 1959. Average yearly employment in the Other Wood Industries group was reported at 29,791 with a payroll at \$114,214,000 compared with 30,066 and \$111,403,929, respectively, in the preceding year.