

7.—Forest Fires, by Cause, 1963 and 1964

Cause	1963		1964		Cause	1963		1964	
	No.	p.c.	No.	p.c.		No.	p.c.	No.	p.c.
Recreation.....	2,060	27	1,617	23	Unknown.....	240	3	391	6
Settlement.....	864	11	959	14	Totals, Man-Caused.....	5,319	69	4,955	71
Woods operations....	124	2	217	3	Lightning.....	2,351	31	1,989	29
Railways.....	231	3	220	3	Totals, All Fires.....	7,670	100	6,844	100
Other industries.....	417	6	238	3					
Incendiary.....	323	4	381	6					
Miscellaneous known.	1,040	13	932	13					

Section 3.—Statistics of Forest and Allied Industries

This Section is concerned with the many industries engaged in the felling of timber and its transformation into a great variety of products required in modern living. The extensive forests of Canada provide raw materials for several large and growing primary industries, i.e., the sawmills and planing mills, the shingle mills, the veneer and plywood mills, the particle board plants and the pulp and paper mills, which in their turn provide raw materials for a wide range of secondary industries that convert the products of the primary industries into more highly manufactured goods such as sash, doors, mill work, wooden boxes, furniture, converted papers and paper goods, etc. However, much of the output of the primary forest industries is exported; the sawmill industry and the pulp and paper industry, especially, contribute substantially to the value of the export trade of Canada and thereby provide an important part of the foreign exchange necessary to pay for the imports from other countries.

Statistics of manufacturing activity and total activity of the wood industries and the paper and allied industries may be found in a number of tables in Chapter XVI on Manufactures. These statistics and those included in the tables of this Section are based on the revised standard industrial classification and the new establishment concept, explained in Chapter XVI.

Subsection 1.—Woods Operations

The forests of Canada provide the raw materials for its sawmills and planing mills, shingle mills, veneer and plywood mills, particle board plants and pulp and paper mills as well as roundwood for export in unmanufactured state and other products such as fuelwood, poles and piling, fence posts, mining timber, Christmas trees, etc. Tables 8 and 9 give the estimated quantities of wood cut in Canada by province and by type of product.

8.—Volume of Wood Cut, by Province, 1959-63

Province or Territory	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963
	M cu. ft.	M cu. ft.	M cu. ft.	M cu. ft.	M cu. ft.
Newfoundland.....	96,695	126,702	98,014	74,649	89,027
Prince Edward Island.....	10,594	10,834	10,167	5,514	6,045
Nova Scotia.....	89,612	98,095	98,747	81,507	86,554
New Brunswick.....	172,602	187,297	193,346	140,627	198,258
Quebec.....	877,153	879,914	914,096	876,043	913,542
Ontario.....	531,528	541,329	494,048	519,414	635,077
Manitoba.....	51,766	45,255	37,602	53,160	41,556
Saskatchewan.....	44,621	49,860	44,036	47,844	42,091
Alberta.....	135,003	148,485	118,390	131,706	133,479
British Columbia.....	1,173,965	1,337,497	1,295,033	1,496,832	1,621,649
Yukon and Northwest Territories.....	2,843	5,697	1,815	4,106	3,965
Canada.....	3,136,387	3,431,465	3,303,289	3,431,842	3,671,236