

Greene County Forests and Forest Industry, 2021

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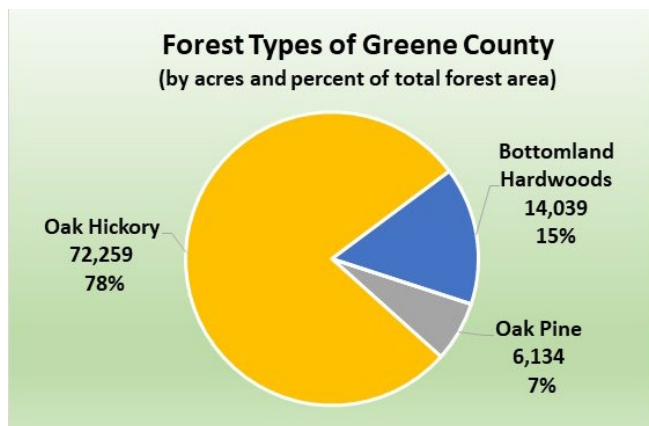
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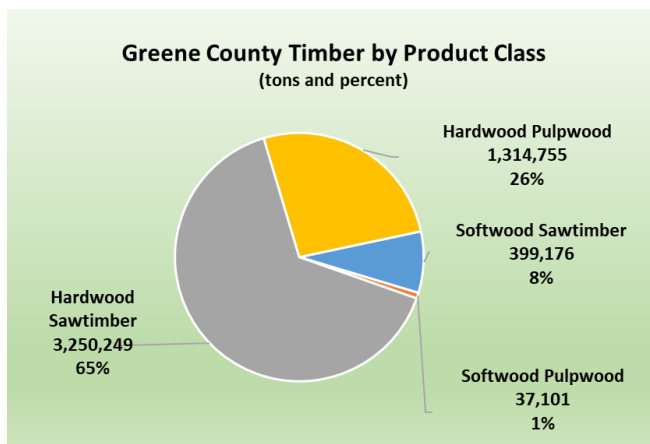


Greene County Forest Facts

Forests occupy 92,432 acres (25%) of the land area in Greene County; 93% of the forests are privately owned. All of the county's forests are of natural origin. Forest area by coertype is shown in the figure below.



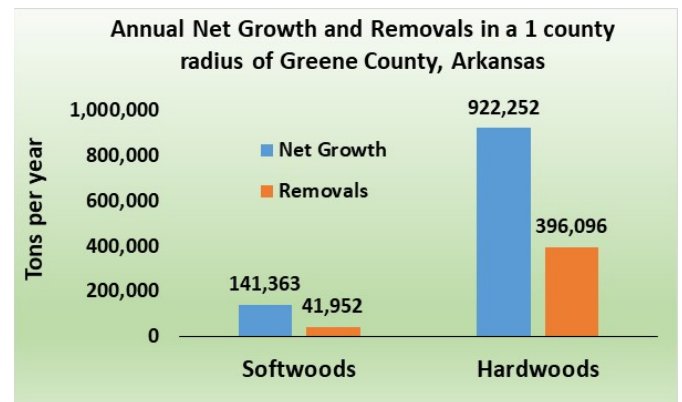
The forests of Greene County contain 436,277 tons of softwood timber and 4,565,004 tons of hardwood timber. The forest is made up of largely hardwood saw timber trees as shown below.



Timber Supply around Greene County

Within a 1-county radius around and including Greene County (Clay, Craighead, Dunklin, Lawrence, and Randolph) there are 3.1 million tons of pine and 26.8 million tons of hardwood timber. In this 6 county

region, annual net growth exceeds harvest by 625,567 tons, 84% of which is hardwoods, as shown in the figure below.



Economic Contributions of Greene County Forests

Forest industries contribute \$17,407,953 annually to Greene County's value added (GDP) which is 1.2% of the county's total economic activity. This is far less than the state-wide average of 4.95%. Forest industries in the county include Cabinets by Design, Larry Stanley and Sons, and Thomas Custom Cabinets. Two logging firms operate from Greene County, one is associated with a local sawmill. While the forestry sector is a very small part of Greene County's economy, income from forestry sectors is 121% of the county average. The direct economic contribution of Greene County's forest industry is shown in the table below by sectors.

Sector	Employees	Labor Income	Value-Added (GDP)
Forestry	1	\$58,784	\$56,661
Logging	15	\$1,074,315	\$1,139,591
Solid Wood Products	17	\$1,007,401	\$1,792,676
Furniture	143	\$7,411,796	\$14,419,025
Forestry Totals in Greene County	176	\$9,552,296	\$17,407,953