

Phillips County Forests and Forest Industry, 2021



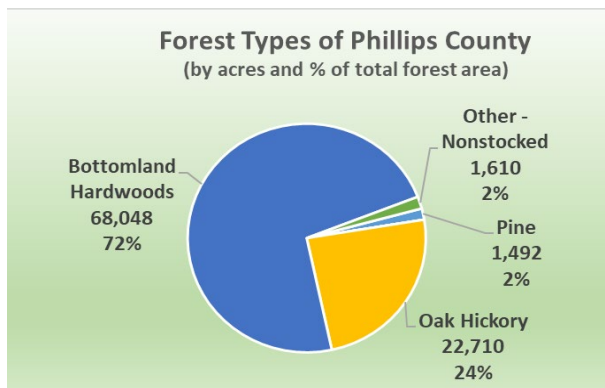
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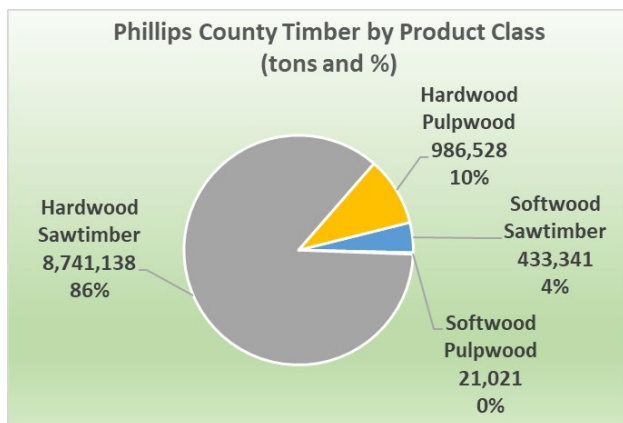
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Phillips County Forest Facts

Forests occupy 93,860 acres (21%) of the land area in Phillips County; 80% of the forests are privately owned. Planted forests account for 100% of the pine and 4% of the non-pine forests in Phillips County. Overall, 5% of the county's forests are planted. Forest area by cover type is shown in the figure below.

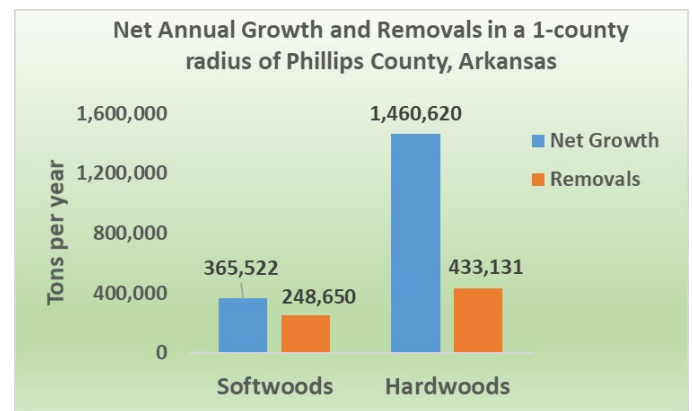


The forests of Phillips County contain 454,362 tons of softwood (pine) timber and 9,727,666 tons of hardwood timber. The forest is made up of largely hardwood saw timber trees as shown below.



Timber Supply around Phillips County

Within a 1-county radius around and including Phillips County (Arkansas, Bolivar, Coahoma, Desha, Lee, Monroe, and Tunica) there are 9 million tons of pine and 69 million tons of hardwood timber. In this 8 county region, annual net growth exceeds harvest by 1,144,362 tons, 90% of which is hardwoods.



Economic Contributions of Phillips County Forests

Forest industries contribute \$5,628,851 to Phillips County's value added (GDP) which is 1% of the county's total economic activity. This is a lower percentage than the state-wide average of 4.95%. Faust Big Creek Cypress and Dragon Woodland operate in Phillips County. Income in Phillips County's forestry sectors is 139% of the county average. The direct economic contribution of Phillips County's forest industry is shown in the table below by sectors.

Sector	Employees	Labor Income	Value Added (GDP)
Forestry	less than 1	\$19,225	\$18,948
Logging	13	\$4,256,399	\$4,317,042
Solid Wood Products	14	\$672,015	\$1,292,861
Forestry Totals in Phillips County	27	\$4,947,639	\$5,628,851