

Poinsett County Forests and Forest Industry, 2021

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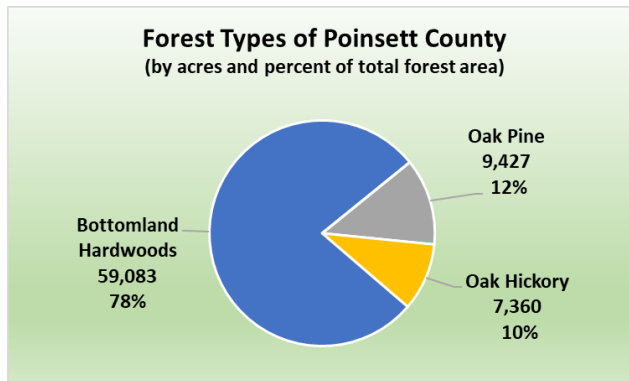
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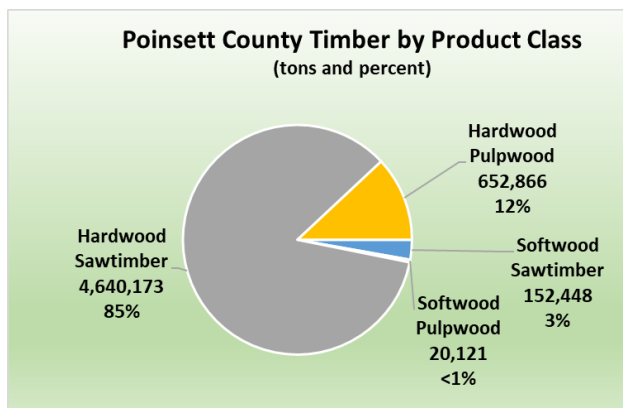


Poinsett County Forest Facts

Forests occupy 75,870 acres (16%) of the land area in Poinsett County; 60% of the forests are privately owned. All the forests in the county are of natural origin. Forest area by covertype is shown in the figure below.



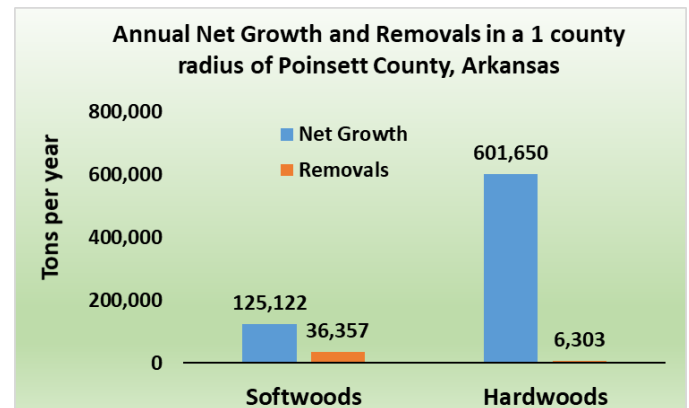
The forests of Poinsett County contain 172,569 tons of softwood timber and 5,293,039 tons of hardwood timber. The forest is made up of largely hardwood saw timber trees as shown below.



Timber Supply around Poinsett County

Within a 1-county radius around and including Poinsett County (Craighead, Crittenden, Cross, Jackson, and Mississippi) there are 3.8 million tons of softwood and 20.5 million tons of hardwood timber. In this 6 county

region, annual net growth exceeds harvest by 684,113 tons, 87% of which is hardwoods.



Economic Contributions of Poinsett County Forests

Forest industries contribute \$18,782,676 annually to Poinsett County's value added (GDP) which is 3% of the county's total economic activity. This is lower than the state-wide average of 4.95%. Forest industries in the county include Ruscor, Pine Grove Wood Products and Tru-Cab Inc. There are no known logging firms which operate from Poinsett County. Income in Poinsett County's forestry sectors is 149% of the county average. The high value for labor income in logging is due to depreciation for equipment is considered part of labor income as reported by the US Bureau of Economic Analysis. The direct economic contribution of Poinsett County's forest industry is shown in the table below.

Sector	Employees	Labor Income	Value Added (GDP)
Forestry	1	\$20,193	\$20,281
Logging	1	\$2,878,863	\$2,881,933
Solid Wood Products	54	\$3,212,055	\$5,205,975
Furniture	12	\$470,637	\$855,579
Pulp and Paper	105	\$5,846,903	\$9,818,908
Forestry Totals in Poinsett County	173	\$12,428,651	\$18,782,676