

# Sevier County Forests and Forest Industry, 2021

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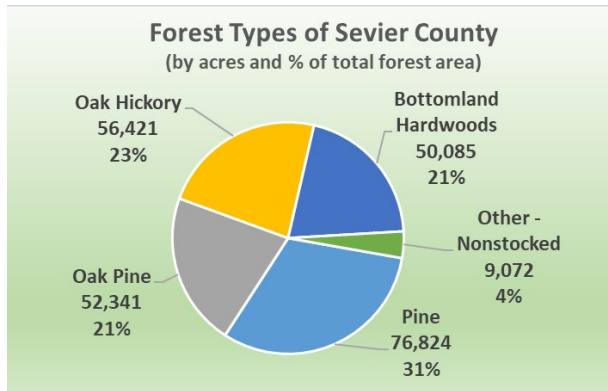
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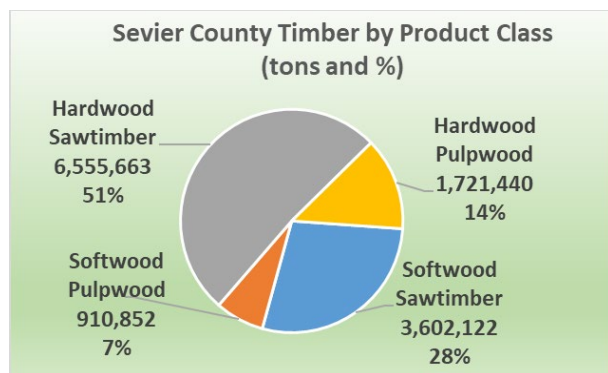


### Sevier County Forest Facts

Forests occupy 244,743 acres (68%) of the land area in Sevier County; 89% of the forests are privately owned. Planted forests account for 86% of the pine and 12% of the non-pine forests in Sevier County. Overall, 36% of the county's forests are planted. Forest area by covertype is shown in the figure below.



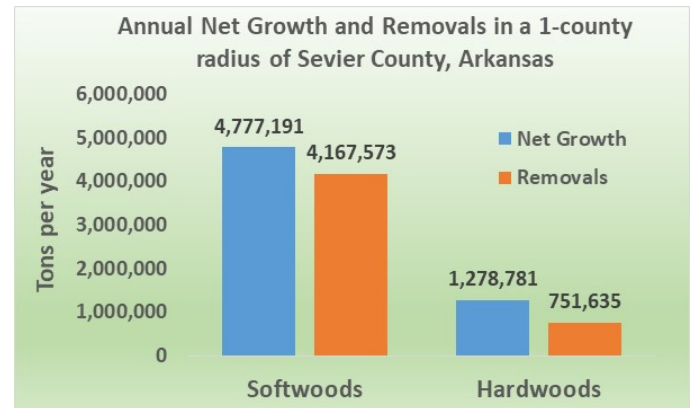
The forests of Sevier County contain 4,512,974 tons of softwood (pine) timber and 8,277,103 tons of hardwood timber. The forest is made up of largely sawtimber trees as shown below.



### Timber Supply around Sevier County

Within a 1-county radius around and including Sevier County (Hempstead, Howard, Little River, McCurtain, and Polk) there are 64 million tons of pine and 47

million tons of hardwood timber. In this 6 county region, annual net growth exceeds harvest by 1,136,764 tons 54% of which is softwoods (pine).



### Economic Contributions of Sevier County Forests

Forest industries contribute \$9,108,542 to Sevier County's value added (GDP) which is 2% of the county's total economic activity. This is a lower percentage than the state-wide average of 4.95%. The consulting sector and logging make up the majority of forestry-related employment in Sevier County. Lockesburg Timber Company and Bartek Forestry are notable businesses in the county. Income in Sevier County's forestry sectors is 121% of the county average. The direct economic contribution of Sevier County's forest industry is shown in the table below by sectors.

Sector	Employees	Labor Income	Value Added (GDP)
Forestry	76	\$4,319,841	\$4,269,846
Logging	108	\$4,940,878	\$4,821,253
Solid Wood Products	9	\$5,030	\$17,444
<b>Forestry Totals in Sevier County</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>\$9,265,749</b>	<b>\$9,108,542</b>