

FACT SHEET

SOFTWOOD LUMBER SIC: 2512

1. PRINCIPAL STATISTICS

	<u>1973</u>	<u>1980</u>	<u>1981</u>	<u>1982</u>	<u>1983</u>
*Establishments	1,519	1,317	1,313	1,223	1,280(e)
Employment	70,000	63,000	60,000	50,000	55,000(e)
Shipments (\$ millions)	2,127	3,394	3,521	3,031	4,800(e)
**Gross Domestic Product (Constant 1971\$ millions)	999	1,257	1,213	1,037	1,335
**Investment (\$ millions)	277	469	448	320	221
**Profits after tax	231	233	27	-288	N/A
Exports (\$ millions)	1,558	3,262	2,913	2,846	2,900
Domestic Shipments (\$ millions)	569	632	608	195	500
Imports (\$ millions)	60	108	130	72	123
Canadian Market (\$ millions)	629	740	738	257	623
Exports - % of shipments	69	67	70	75	72
Imports - % of domestic market	6	5	6	5	6

(e) - estimated * - Does not include many small mills.
 ** - Softwood lumber industry represents about 70% of Wood Industries statistics shown.

2. REGIONAL DISTRIBUTION - Average over the last 3 years

	<u>Atlantic</u>	<u>Quebec</u>	<u>Ontario</u>	<u>Prairies</u>	<u>B.C.</u>
Establishments - % of total	19	31	18	6	26
Employment - % of total	4	22	10	7	57
Shipments - % of total	3	18	8	5	66

3. FOREIGN TRADE

	<u>U.S.</u>	<u>B.E.C.</u>	<u>Asia</u>	<u>Others</u>
Imports - % of total 1981	99	-	-	1
1982	99	-	-	1
1983	99	1	-	-
Exports - % of total 1981	78	9	9	4
1982	77	8	10	5
1983	83	5	7	5

4. MAJOR FIRMS

	<u>Ownership</u>	<u>Location Major Plant</u>
1. Canfor Corp., Vancouver, B.C.	Public	B.C., Alberta
2. B.C. Forest Products Ltd., Vancouver, B.C.	Public	B.C., Alberta
3. MacMillan Bloedel Ltd., Vancouver, B.C.	Public	British Columbia
4. Northwood Pulp and Timber Ltd., Prince George, B.C.	Public	British Columbia
5. MacnicK Perron Inc., LaSalle, Quebec	Public	Quebec, Ontario
6. Rexfor, Quebec, Quebec	Provincial	Quebec
7. J.B. Irving Ltd., St. John, N.B.	Private	New Brunswick

MAJOR REPORTS AVAILABLE

	<u>Type of Report</u>	<u>Year</u>
ETAC Interim Report	Labour/Industry Consultation	1983
Federal Government Response to the ETAC Recommendations	Labour/Industry Consultation	1984