**ILLINOIS TIMBER PRICES**

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**PRICES PAID ILLINOIS TIMBER PRODUCERS**

**MAY 2002 THROUGH AUGUST 2002**

This report is prepared by the Illinois Agricultural Statistics Service in cooperation with the Illinois Division of Resources Protection & Stewardship. Unless otherwise indicated, prices shown in this report are prices reported by licensed timber buyers. The cooperation of those timber buyers who participated in the survey is greatly appreciated.

Illinois is divided into three price-reporting zones, based on timber resources, similarity, utilization standards and practices and soil types. Zone 1 is the Southern Unit; Zone 2, the Claypan Unit; and Zone 3, the Prairie Unit. Ranges of prices for each zone are shown on the back of this report. Of the timber buyers reporting volume of their 2002 operations, 40% indicated their volume was 500 thousand board feet or more.

This report can be used only as a general guide for determining market value of timber. General market and economic conditions are the major price-determining factors. Certain local considerations such as accessibility, site and terrain, distance to market, size of sale, and tree size and quality also affect the price paid. For technical, marketing or management assistance, contact your local State Forester, or the Division of Resources Protection & Stewardship, Illinois Department of Natural Resources, No. 1 Natural Resources Way, Springfield, Illinois 62702.

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**AVERAGE PRICES FOR STUMPAGE AND F.O.B. IN SELECTED PERIODS**

**SAWTIMBER - $ PER M BD. FT.**

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**FACE VENEER - $ PER M BD. FT.**

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**COOPERAGE - $ PER M BD. FT.**

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<td>Ton</td>
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- OVER -
### MOST COMMONLY REPORTED PRICES PAID ILLINOIS TIMBER PRODUCERS

#### May 2002 - August 2002

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#### STATEWIDE

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### LOG SCALES USED BY REPORTING BUYERS

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### CUSTOM SAWING BY THOSE REPORTING

#### VOLUME OF 2000-2001 OPERATIONS

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<td>1,000 - 3,000</td>
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<td>3,000 +</td>
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Cooperage is the manufacture of barrels. Face veneer is logs cut into thin sheets or "veneer" used mostly by furniture builders. Pulpwod is used in making paper, fiberboard, and similar products. M bd. ft. means thousand board feet. Sawtimber refers to logs that are cut into lumber or timbers. F.O.B. refers to the price paid for timber delivered to the mill.

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