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PRICES PAID TO ILLINOIS TIMBER PRODUCERS MAY 2004 THROUGH AUGUST 2004

This report is prepared by the Illinois Agricultural Statistics Service in cooperation with the Illinois Division of Habitat Resources.

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 2004 operations, 28% 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 Habitat Resources, Illinois Department of Natural Resources, One Natural Resources Way, Springfield, Illinois 62702.

AVERAGE PRICES FOR STUMPAGE AND F.O.B. IN SELECTED PERIODS SAWTIMBER - \$ PER M BD. FT.

SPECIES	May 2003 - August 2003		November 2003 - February 2004		May 2004 - August 2004	
	Stumpage	F.O.B. Mill	Stumpage	F.O.B. Mill	Stumpage	F.O.B. Mill
Ash	140	270	150	330	160	320
Basswood	110	240	120	260	120	260
Beech	55	210	65	200	70	210
Cottonwood	65	180	60	180	60	180
Sweet Gum	85	220	95	220	80	200
Elm & Hackberry	70	190	65	190	70	200
Hickory	120	270	130	280	140	300
Soft Maple	120	260	160	290	150	290
Cherry	410	620	410	700	440	710
Sugar Maple	250	490	280	520	250	490
Black Oak	200	370	210	410	220	370
Pin Oak	85	190	95	200	100	200
Red Oak	280	540	320	540	310	560
White Oak	270	470	280	490	310	470
Yellow Poplar	140	300	160	300	170	300
Sycamore	70	200	75	190	80	200
Black Walnut	490	820	510	830	510	830
Woods Run Bottomland	90	220	130	220	130	220
Woods Run Upland	210	420	220	380	250	390
FACE VENEER - \$ PER M BD. FT.						
Red Oak	420	1,080	630	1,080	680	1,060
White Oak	940	1,720	970	1,670	1,000	1,820
Walnut	1,730	2,800	1,630	2,780	1,650	2,660
Cherry	960	1,750	1,000	1,950	1,250	2,080
COOPERAGE - \$ PER M BD. FT.						
White Oak	270	460	310	550	310	560
UNPEELED PULPWOOD - \$ PER TON						
Ton	4.00	26.00	3.00	25.00	3.00	23.00

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MOST COMMONLY REPORTED PRICES PAID TO ILLINOIS TIMBER PRODUCERS May 2004 - August 2004							
PRODUCT	UNIT	Zone 1		Zone 2		Zone 3	
		Stumpage	F.O.B. Mill	Stumpage	F.O.B. Mill	Stumpage	F.O.B. Mill
1. Sawtimber							
		Dollars		Dollars		Dollars	
Ash	M bd. ft.	80-200	250-500	75-250	230-500	50-220	100-420
Basswood	M bd. ft.	80-100	160-300	60-200	200-400	50-200	290-500
Beech	M bd. ft.	50-150	1/	40-110	160-220	1/	1/
Cottonwood	M bd. ft.	50-130	170-250	40-120	180-230	20-100	160-200
Sweet Gum	M bd. ft.	50-130	1/	30-140	150-220	1/	1/
Elm & Hackberry	M bd. ft.	50-130	180-250	40-140	150-230	20-100	150-250
Hickory	M bd. ft.	25-250	60-500	50-250	200-500	50-250	290-500
Soft Maple	M bd. ft.	50-150	150-400	40-200	200-380	50-300	180-500
Cherry	M bd. ft.	200-600	300-800	50-650	400-1,000	60-850	300-1,250
Sugar Maple	M bd. ft.	150-300	300-520	100-350	230-800	100-350	350-800
Black Oak	M bd. ft.	150-350	300-550	100-400	230-500	20-320	200-450
Pin Oak	M bd. ft.	40-130	150-300	40-150	150-280	20-250	160-450
Red Oak	M bd. ft.	200-350	450-800	100-470	230-800	40-500	400-800
White Oak	M bd. ft.	250-400	400-600	120-500	230-700	100-400	300-600
Yellow Poplar	M bd. ft.	100-200	250-300	100-250	200-380	240-250	350-370
Sycamore	M bd. ft.	50-130	200-240	40-140	150-230	20-150	160-200
Black Walnut	M bd. ft.	400-800	600-1,000	220-650	400-1,200	60-850	500-1,000
Woods Run Bottomland	M bd. ft.	75-150	60-310	65-270	190-260	50-200	1/
Woods Run Upland	M bd. ft.	100-275	200-500	150-400	190-650	100-400	1/
STATEWIDE							
		Stumpage		F.O.B. Mill			
2. Face Veneer							
Red Oak	M bd. ft.	250-1,000				225-1,600	
White Oak	M bd. ft.	350-1,500				1,000-2,800	
Walnut	M bd. ft.	800-3,250				1,500-3,500	
Cherry	M bd. ft.	500-2,900				1,300-3,000	
3. Cooperage							
White Oak	M bd. ft.	200-400				500-650	
4. Pulpwood							
Unpeeled	Ton	3.00-4.00				22.00-25.00	

LOG SCALES USED BY REPORTING BUYERS		
Scale	Percent Using	
Doyle	96	
Scribner	2	
International	2	

CUSTOM SAWING BY THOSE REPORTING		
Region	Percent Reporting	Rated Reported \$/M bd. ft.
Zone 1	9	250
Zone 2	18	150-300
Zone 3	25	250-300
Illinois	19	150-300

VOLUME OF MAY - AUGUST 2004 OPERATIONS					
Size in (000) bd. ft.	Zone 1	Zone 2	Zone 3	All	
	%	%	%	% %	
1 - 100	-	14	48	26	
100 - 500	50	27	17	27	
500 - 1,000	38	18	9	17	
1,000 - 3,000	-	18	9	11	
3,000 +	12	23	17	19	

Cooperage is the manufacture of barrels. Face veneer is logs cut into thin sheets or "veneer" used mostly by furniture builders. Pulpwood 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. Stumpage is the price for a standing tree.

1/- Not Available Due To Insufficient Reports

MARKED TIMBER SALES - May 2004 through August 2004

Statewide Stumpage

Woods Run Upland - \$240 - \$370/M bd.ft

Woods Run Bottomland - Insufficient Information

Prices supplied to District Foresters by seller may include some veneer

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