

# ILLINOIS TIMBER PRICES SURVEY

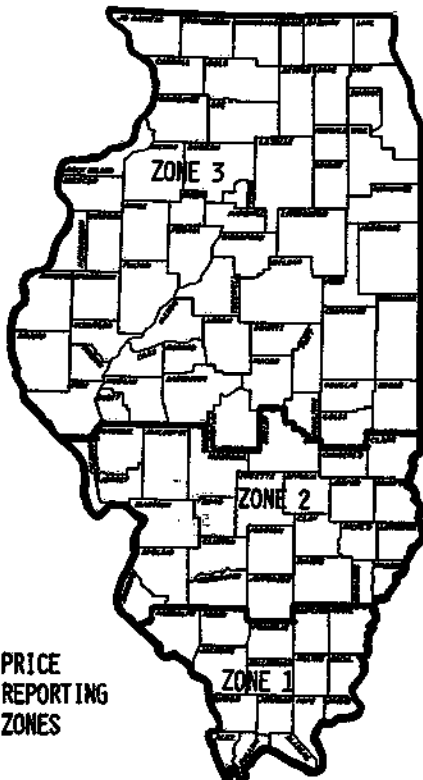
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## PRICES PAID ILLINOIS TIMBER PRODUCERS MAY 1987 THROUGH AUGUST 1987

Summer sawtimber prices paid Illinois timber growers were generally higher than a year earlier for both stumpage and FOB. Of the timber buyers reporting volume of their 1987 operations, 30% indicated their volume was 500 thousand board feet or higher. This was 7 percentage points less than a year earlier on their 1986 operations.

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.

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

This report can be used only as a guide for determining the 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 received. For technical, marketing or management assistance, contact your local State Forester, or the Division of Forest Resources, Illinois Department of Conservation, 600 No. Grand Avenue, West, Springfield, Illinois 62706.

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

SPECIES	May 1986-August 1986		November 1986-February 1987		May 1987-August 1987	
	Stumpage	F.O.B.	Stumpage	F.O.B.	Stumpage	F.O.B.
Ash	102	201	95	234	103	224
Basswood	56	117	45	123	51	121
Beech	41	109	55	112	47	119
Cottonwood	36	105	35	106	38	111
Sweet Gum	41	112	45	116	45	118
Elm & Hackberry	37	107	40	113	42	106
Hickory	46	116	46	118	44	117
Soft Maple	51	121	48	129	47	120
Sugar Maple	64	109	54	125	52	112
Black Oak	72	127	72	127	75	125
Pin Oak	40	113	41	114	48	114
Red Oak	103	185	92	177	114	194
White Oak	90	173	94	175	106	191
Yellow Poplar	67	125	67	134	66	138
Sycamore	36	108	36	113	38	114
Black Walnut	302	531	317	486	273	539
Woods Run Bottomland	49	118	51	119	49	120
Woods Run Upland	77	137	71	133	83	151

### PAGE VENER PRICES \$ PER M BD. FT.

Red Oak	285	700	271	524	350	695
White Oak	702	1,140	764	1,098	815	1,342
Walnut	1,192	1,963	1,248	1,867	1,085	1,943

### UNPEELED PULPMOOD PRICES, \$ PER TON, SELECTED PERIODS

Ton	May 1986-August 1986		November 1986-February 1987		May 1987-August 1987	
	Stumpage	F.O.B.	Stumpage	F.O.B.	Stumpage	F.O.B.
	1.67	15.95	2.00	13.33	2.00	13.90

### COOPERAGE PRICES, \$ PER M BD. FT., STUMPAGE AND F.O.B. SELECTED PERIODS

White Oak	May 1986-August 1986		November 1986-February 1987		May 1987-August 1987	
	Stumpage	F.O.B.	Stumpage	F.O.B.	Stumpage	F.O.B.
	118	-	135	300	112	-

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Timber Prices  
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**MOST COMMONLY REPORTED PRICES PAID ILLINOIS TIMBER PRODUCERS, MAY 1987-AUGUST 1987**

PRODUCT	UNIT	Zone 1		Zone 2		Zone 3	
		Stumpage	F.O.B.Mill	Stumpage	F.O.B.Mill	Stumpage	F.O.B.Mill
<b>Dollars</b>							
<b>1. Sawtimber</b>							
Ash	M bd.ft.	50 -200	125-300	50 -200	180-350	60 -200	150-450
Basswood	M bd.ft.	50 - 60	110-130	40 - 50	120	30 - 75	100-150
Beech	M bd.ft.	40 - 65	110-125	50	120	-	120
Cottonwood	M bd.ft.	30 - 60	110-125	25 - 60	110-120	20 - 50	80 -100
Sweet Gum	M bd.ft.	30 - 65	100-130	50	120	-	-
Elm & Hackberry	M bd.ft.	40 - 65	75 -130	20 - 60	80 -130	20 - 40	75 -120
Hickory	M bd.ft.	40 - 90	75 -150	20 - 60	120-150	20 - 40	80 -140
Soft Maple	M bd.ft.	50 - 80	110-130	30 - 90	110-140	30	100-135
Sugar Maple	M bd.ft.	40 - 80	75 -125	30 -100	80 -150	40 - 50	80 -150
Black Oak	M bd.ft.	50 - 70	75 -150	40 -150	120-130	40 -150	90 -190
Pin Oak	M bd.ft.	40 - 60	100-130	30 - 60	120-130	20 - 75	80 -100
Red Oak	M bd.ft.	50 -200	125-300	50 -200	110-280	50 -200	100-300
White Oak	M bd.ft.	50 -200	125-300	50 -200	110-230	50 -200	100-250
Yellow Poplar	M bd.ft.	50 -100	75 -170	40 - 60	130	70	100-180
Sycamore	M bd.ft.	30 - 65	100-130	20 - 60	120-130	20	80 -100
Black Walnut	M bd.ft.	200-300	300-600	100-400	400-500	200-550	225-1000
Woods Run Bottomland	M bd.ft.	40 -100	95 -130	35 - 60	120-130	40 - 60	130
Woods Run Upland	M bd.ft.	50 -150	125-220	40 -130	120-150	75 -150	100-225
<b>STATEWIDE</b>							
		<b>Stumpage</b>			<b>F.O.B.</b>		
<b>2. Face Veneer</b>							
Red Oak	M bd.ft.		150 - 600			450 - 900	
White Oak	M bd.ft.		350 -1,200			780 -1,800	
Walnut	M bd.ft.		400 -2,400			1,000-3,000	
<b>3. Pulpwood</b>							
Unpeeled	Ton		2.00			12.00-15.95	
<b>4. Coopersage</b>							
White Oak	M bd.ft.		70 - 150			-	

LOG SCALES USED BY REPORTING BUYERS		
Scale	Percent Using	
Doyle	94	
Scribner	4	
International	2	
CUSTOM SAWING BY THOSE REPORTING		
Region	Percent Reporting	Rates Reported \$/M bd.ft.
Zone 1	8	-
Zone 2	53	80 -200
Zone 3	46	100-300
ILLINOIS	43	80 -300

VOLUME OF 1987 OPERATIONS				
Size in (000)bd.ft.	Zone 1	Zone 2	Zone 3	All
	%	%	%	%
1 - 100	8	30	25	24
100 - 500	42	53	38	46
500 -1000	34	7	8	12
1000-3000	8	7	12	9
3000+	8	3	17	9

Coopersage is the manufacture of barrels. Face veneer: 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.

MARKED TIMBER SALES - MAY 1987 - AUGUST 1987	
STATEWIDE STUMPAGE*	
Woods Run Upland	\$70 - \$175/M bd. ft., Average \$126
Woods Run Bottomland	\$37 - \$103/M bd. ft., Average \$69

\*Prices supplied to District Foresters by seller, may include some veneer.

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