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1976 OREGON TIMBER HARVEST

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The 1976 Oregon timber harvest of 8.15 billion board feet ended a 3-year decline. The cut was 783 million board feet (10.6 percent) above the 1975 harvest. The western Oregon harvest rose 812 million board feet (15 percent) while eastern Oregon declined 29 million board feet (15 percent). The proportion of total harvest which comes from eastern Oregon has gradually increased from about 12 percent in the early 1950's to about 24 percent in recent years. After falling below the private cut in 1975, harvest on public lands accounted for 56 percent of the total in 1976.

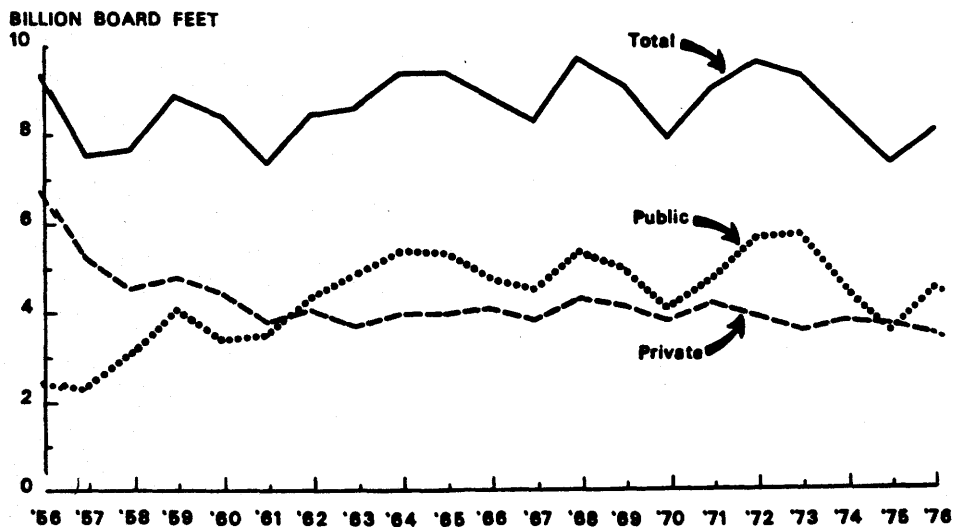
Logging on public lands gained 888 million board feet in western Oregon and 114 million board feet in eastern Oregon. Harvest increased on Bureau of Land Management (BLM) lands 456 million board feet (73 percent) and on National Forests 513 million board feet (19 percent). Indian land was the only nonprivate owner group which decreased in 1976; log sales fell 15 million board feet.

The private log harvest declined 76 million board feet in western Oregon and 144 million board feet in eastern Oregon. Nearly all the loss was on forest industry lands. Other private owners harvested 63 million board feet more than 1975 in the western half-State, but decreased 11 million board feet in the eastern half.

In 1952, Douglas County assumed the lead from Lane County as the top log-producing county in the State. Except for 2 years, it has kept this position. For the last 25 years, these two counties combined have produced 35-45 percent of the harvest for the western half-State area, and 30-35 percent of the harvest for the total State.

Volume of timber sold on National Forest, BLM, and State lands declined 22 percent to 3.8 billion board feet. This occurred despite rising prices. Prices rose \$11.10 in western Oregon to \$147.73 and \$15.19 in eastern Oregon to \$50.92.

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Timber harvest by ownership in the State of Oregon, 1976^{1/}

(In thousands of board feet, Scribner log scale)

Half-State and county	Private ^{2/}			Bureau of Land Management ^{3/}	National Forest ^{4/}	Indian ^{5/}	Other Federal ^{2/}	State ^{6/}	Other public ^{6/}	Total
	Forest industry	Other	Total							
Western Oregon:										
Benton	47,568	8,577	56,145	25,081	4,768	--	--	5,750	3	91,747
Clackamas	105,066	14,200	119,266	29,465	214,111	--	--	1,192	711	364,745
Clatsop	202,887	6,646	209,533	--	--	--	179	69,292	57	279,061
Columbia	93,001	9,228	102,229	42	--	--	--	2,880	1,153	106,304
Coos	266,556	19,178	285,734	145,545	39,612	--	1,316	23,835	5,023	501,065
Curry	46,862	22,789	69,651	10,468	75,510	--	--	330	1,019	156,978
Douglas	615,499	31,075	646,574	343,908	302,409	--	--	14,380	1,033	1,308,304
Hood River	3,003	1,075	4,078	--	41,798	--	--	--	917	46,793
Jackson	117,996	10,280	128,276	106,426	147,153	--	3,461	964	470	386,750
Josephine	5,006	9,036	14,042	80,482	51,436	--	--	13	2,653	148,626
Lane	392,246	48,122	440,368	160,885	566,774	--	123	13,319	35	1,181,504
Lincoln	147,264	7,634	154,898	9,467	117,977	--	--	11,559	961	294,862
Linn	376,928	82,009	458,937	48,556	243,781	--	--	10,388	--	767,662
Marion	16,411	8,112	24,523	14,756	37,913	--	--	8,918	90	86,200
Multnomah	3,537	2,160	5,697	--	19,478	--	--	--	335	25,510
Polk	57,766	7,976	65,742	13,000	--	--	241	7,314	199	86,496
Tillamook	134,860	6,323	141,183	49,211	47,768	--	--	24,459	160	262,781
Washington	10,123	10,631	20,754	--	--	--	--	792	241	21,787
Yamhill	34,568	7,300	41,868	15,221	378	--	--	--	4,830	62,297
Total	2,677,147	312,351	2,989,498	1,052,513	1,916,866	--	5,320	195,385	19,890	6,179,472
Eastern Oregon:										
Baker	1,317	7,894	9,211	378	80,360	--	--	--	--	89,949
Crook	8,370	1,061	9,431	87	86,893	--	--	--	--	96,411
Deschutes	41,443	13	41,456	2,229	91,730	--	--	--	--	135,415
Gilliam	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Grant	14,578	10,406	24,984	511	209,561	--	--	--	--	235,056
Harney	--	2,204	2,204	--	81,043	--	--	--	--	83,247
Jefferson	12,885	--	12,885	--	53,862	33,205	--	--	--	99,952
Klamath	126,981	32,735	159,716	17,041	207,844	--	--	8,028	--	392,629
Lake	160,936	4,372	165,308	20	146,339	--	--	--	--	311,667
Malheur	--	559	559	--	--	--	--	--	--	559
Morrow	16,576	2,277	18,853	--	34,792	--	--	--	--	53,645
Sherman	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Umatilla	6,605	6,351	12,956	4,776	78,316	--	--	--	--	96,048
Union	43,801	14,139	57,940	387	70,495	--	--	28	--	128,850
Wallowa	8,158	12,021	20,179	254	45,309	--	--	--	--	65,742
Wasco	1,615	2,792	4,407	--	59,642	74,353	--	--	--	138,402
Wheeler	26,742	5,083	31,825	3,720	10,922	--	--	--	--	46,467
Total	470,007	101,907	571,914	29,403	1,257,108	107,558	--	8,056	--	1,974,039
Total Oregon	3,147,154	414,258	3,561,412	1,081,916	3,173,974	107,558	5,320	203,441	19,890	8,153,511

^{1/} Includes volume removed as logs and poles and piling but not volume removed from woodcutting operations.

^{2/} Compiled by Oregon State Department of Revenue.

^{3/} Compiled by U.S. Bureau of Land Management. Beginning with 1974, volumes for western Oregon are adjusted from short log to long log by a factor of 0.89.

^{4/} Compiled by U.S. Forest Service, Region 6.

^{5/} Compiled by U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs.

^{6/} Compiled by State Forester.

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