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SUMMARY

A sample of 79 trees from the Mississippi Delta is used to construct volume and weight tables for willow oak (*Quercus phellos* L.). By using the allometric model, D^2H (squared diameter at breast height multiplied by total tree height) can predict volumes and weights of bole wood, bole wood plus bark, and bole wood plus bark plus limbs. Equations are presented for estimating merchantable bole volumes and weights at 2-inch intervals to top diameters of 2 to 12 inches. Additional equations are given for estimates using upper bole diameters at relative heights of $0.25H$, $0.33H$, and $0.50H$, which are significant improvements over the D^2H equations.



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INTRODUCTION

Willow oak (*Q. phellos* L.) is a common bottom land species ranging from Long Island to Georgia and from the Atlantic Coast to eastern Texas (fig. 1). On good sites, it is a moderately rapid grower reaching heights over 120 ft and with a dbh (diameter at breast height) in excess of 3 ft.

In recent years there has been considerable demand for volume and weight tables for bottom land hardwood species. This paper is the first of a series of six giving both volume and weight tables for some of the major bottom land hardwood species. Species analyzed in later series are Nuttall oak (*Q. nuttallii* Palmer), overcup oak (*Q. lyrata* Walt.), sugarberry (*Celtis laevigata* Willd.), sweetgum (*Liquidambar styraciflua* L.), and green ash (*Fraxinus pennsylvanica* Marsh.).

METHODS

Data were collected from 10 natural bottom land hardwood stands in Mississippi. Nine of the stands were uneven-aged, mixed species, and one of the stands was even-aged and pure.

Each stand was measured for species composition and diameter distribution. Chosen for destructive sampling were 79 trees ranging from 2 to 37 inches dbh. Both understory and overstory trees were judged as growing stock with healthy crowns and no visible signs of disease or decay. When available, three trees were selected from each diameter class.

Stump height, height to crown, and total height were measured on each felled sample tree. One-inch thick disks were cut from the bole at regular intervals and sealed in separate polyethylene bags for laboratory determination of moisture content and specific gravity. The first disk was at stump height and the remaining disks were from ground to tree top at 5-ft

intervals for trees 5 inches dbh and larger and at 3-ft intervals for trees smaller than 5 inches dbh. All limbs were weighed on 65 of the trees.

In the laboratory, both wood and bark moisture content and specific gravity were determined as follows:

1. Wood and bark were separated with a hammer and chisel.
2. Each component was weighed green.
3. Both wood and bark were soaked in water for at least an hour to ensure complete swelling.
4. Volumes were obtained by immersion (Heinrichs and Lassen 1970).
5. Wood and bark were dried in a forced air oven at 105°C for at least 48 hours or until weight loss was completed.

Wood or bark moisture content =
$$\frac{\text{green weight} - \text{ovendry weight}}{\text{ovendry weight}}$$

Specific gravity =
$$\frac{\text{ovendry wood (bark) weight (g)}}{\text{green wood (bark) volume (cm}^3\text{)}}$$

Average tree moisture content and specific gravity were calculated from weighted averages of the disk values; specific gravity or moisture content of each disk was weighted by its squared average diameter.

Taper functions were calculated for each tree both inside and outside the bark. Cubic foot volumes were obtained by integrating the taper function to heights of specific top diameters. Moisture content and specific gravity were assumed to be uniform along the bole. Bole green and dry weights were calculated from estimated tree volume and average tree density and moisture.

Allometric regression equations were used to estimate volume, green weight, and dry weight of bole wood, bole wood plus bark, and bole wood plus bark plus branches.

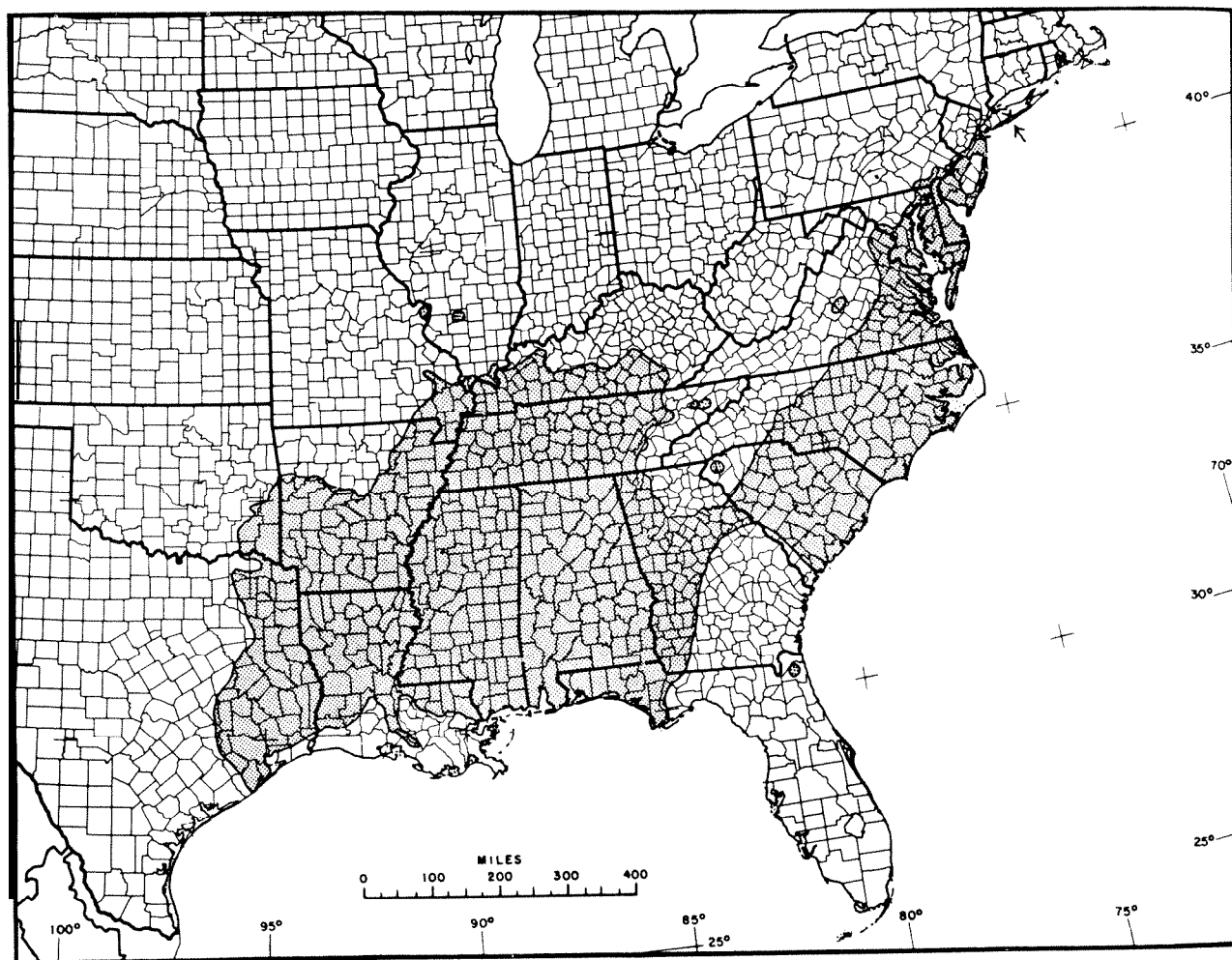


Figure 1-The range of willow oak is from Long Island to Georgia and from the Atlantic Coast to eastern Texas

RESULTS

Characteristics of the trees used in this study are:

	Average	Range
Age (years)	59	19-111
Dbh (in)	15.7	1.7-37.0
Total height (ft)	76	20-124
Wood moisture content (percent)	80	68-99
Bark moisture content (percent)	67	45-171
Wood specific gravity	0.593	0.499-0.651
Bark specific gravity	0.625	0.396-0.989
Wood + bark green density (lb/ft ³)	66.18	57.69-69.37
Wood + bark dry density (lb/ft ³)	37.23	32.17-41.02
Wood + bark moisture content (percent)	78	66-93
Wood + bark specific gravity	0.596	0.515-0.657

Individual tree volumes and weights were fitted to the allometric model:

$$\text{LN}(Y) = \text{LN}(a) + b \text{ LN}(D^2H) \quad (1)$$

where

Y = the volume or weight variable of interest,
D = tree dbh in inches,
H = total height in feet, and
LN is a natural logarithm;

LN(a) and b are coefficients estimated from the data.

Estimates of the coefficients LN(a) and b are presented in table 1 for predicting cubic foot volume and green and dry weight of bole wood, total bole, and total tree. Additional statistics presented are the component average, fit index (FI), regression standard error of estimate ($S_{y,x}$) based on residuals after converting to actual units, and coefficient of variation (C.V.) of predictions in arithmetic units. Fit index, which is similar to R^2 , is used to judge equation efficiency when the dependent variable has been transformed (Farrar

19781 and is calculated in actual units from the total and residual sums of squares.¹ The fit index and R^2 are equal when a simple linear regression analysis is performed on an untransformed dependent variable.

Fit indices range from 0.884 for dry bole bark weight to 0.978 for bole wood volume. A fit index of 1.0 indicates that predictions can be made without error when the data are used to fit the model. Coefficients of variation, which are indices of relative precision of prediction, range from 33.0 percent for dry bark weight to 15.2 percent for bole wood volume.

Using measures of individual tree dbh and total height, estimates can be made for tree volume (table 2), green weight (table 3), and dry weight (table 4) for bole wood, bole wood plus bark, and for bole wood plus bark plus limbs.

MERCHANTABLE BOLE ESTIMATES

The merchantable bole is defined as the tree bole from a 1-ft stump to a specific top diameter, ignoring limbs. Merchantable bole volume or weight can be expressed as a proportion of the total bole by a simple asymptotic model proposed by Stevens (1951):

$$RI = a + \beta \gamma^D \quad (2)$$

where

D = tree dbh outside bark,

RI = ratio of merchantable bole volume or weight to total bole volume or weight, where I = top outside bark diameter of merchantable bole;

α, β, γ = parameters to be estimated from the data, where

α = the upper asymptote of the ratio,

β = the change in the ratio estimate as D goes from 0 to infinity, and

γ = the factor by which the deviation of the ratio is reduced from its asymptotic value by each unit step of D.

For a specific top diameter, the ratio of merchantable bole to total bole is the same for volume, green weight, dry weight, and inside and outside bark. Moisture and density trends within the bole are ignored.

Table 5 gives the parameter estimates for Model 2 using nonlinear techniques proposed by Stevens (1951). Intervals are measured by 2-inch top diameters outside the bark. Volume or weight to any top diameter I is found by multiplying the ratio estimate from one of the equations in table 5 with the total bole volume or weight estimate from tables 2, 3, or 4.

$$V4 = R4 \cdot VT,$$

where VT is the total bole volume or weight of interest.

¹ FI = $\{1 - [\sum (Y_i - \hat{Y}_i)^2] / [\sum (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2]\}$

IMPROVED TOTAL BOLE ESTIMATES

The precision of the merchantable bole estimate depends upon accuracy in measuring total bole. Total bole estimates can be significantly improved by measuring one or two additional diameters. Tables 6 and 7 give regression statistics for total bole volume and weight under two different model forms:

$$\text{Ln}(Y) = \text{Ln}(a) + b \text{ Ln}(D \cdot D_{1/3} \cdot H)$$

and

$$\text{Ln}(Y) = \text{Ln}(a) + b \text{ Ln}[(D \cdot D_{1/2} + D_{1/4}^2) \cdot H]$$

where D, H, and Y are defined previously, and $D_{1/3}$, $D_{1/2}$, and $D_{1/4}$ are diameters measured outside the bark at one-third, one-half, and one-fourth the total height.

Statistics from tables 6 and 7 show the significant improvement over the previous D^2H equations of table 1. Measuring one additional diameter at one-third the tree height reduces standard error of estimate, $\hat{S}_{y \cdot x}$, by 32 to 40 percent for bole wood and total bole. Bark standard errors are reduced but not significantly.

Measuring two upper bole diameters at one-fourth and one-half total height result in greater precision with bark predictions being more precise than the D^2H model. Improvements over the D^2H model range from 53 to 71 percent for bole wood and total bole and from 28 to 31 percent for bark.

Taking additional bole measures means a higher inventory cost since more time will be spent at each tree. Much of the inventory cost is in traveling to the candidate tree. Data presented in this paper allow total and merchantable bole estimates to be made with high reliability. Each user has to decide when increased precision is needed and whether the need will offset the higher cost.

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Table 1-Regression statistics for predicting willow oak tree volumes and weights; $\ln(Y) = \ln(a) + b \ln(D^2H)$

Component	Average Y	Ln(a)	b	Fit index	$\hat{S}_{Y \cdot X}$	C.V. percent
Volume (cubic feet)						
Bole wood	54.7	-6.047	0.97301	0.978	8.32	15.2
Bole bark	7.3	-7.026	0.89551	0.913	2.04	27.9
Total bole	62.0	-5.798	0.96166	0.975	10.01	16.1
Total tree	101.0	-5.719	0.98243	0.961	19.01	18.8
Green weight (pounds)						
Bole wood	3634	-1.856	0.57354	0.974	610	16.8
Bole bark	464	-2.903	0.88049	0.907	136	29.4
Total bole	4098	-1.590	0.96001	0.971	713	17.4
Total tree	6687	-1.546	0.98398	0.949	1460	21.8
Dry weight (pounds)						
Bole wood	1991	-2.381	0.96703	0.969	359	18.1
Bole bark	299	-3.870	0.93109	0.884	99	33.0
Total bole	2290	-2.179	0.96142	0.965	435	19.0
Total tree	3728	-2.102	0.98175	0.947	812	21.8

¹All predictions from a 1-ft stump to tree tip.

Table 2-Cubic foot volume for willow oak bole wood, bole wood plus bark, and complete trees

Dbh in inches	Total height in feet											
	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	110	120	130
-----cubic feet -----												
2	0.17 ¹	0.25 ⁴	0.33									
	0.21 ²	0.30	0.40									
	0.24 ³	0.36	0.48									
3		0.55	0.73	0.90								
		0.66	0.87	1.08								
		0.80	1.07	1.33								
4		0.96	1.27	1.58	1.89							
		1.15	1.52	1.88	2.24							
		1.41	1.88	2.34	2.79							
5			1.96	2.44	2.91	3.38						
			2.33	2.88	3.44	3.99						
			2.91	3.62	4.33	5.04						
6			2.80	3.48	4.15	4.82	5.49					
			3.30	4.10	4.88	5.66	6.44					
			4.16	5.18	6.20	7.21	8.22					
7			3.78	4.69	5.60	6.51	7.41	8.31				
			4.45	5.51	6.57	7.61	8.66	9.70				
			5.63	7.02	8.39	9.76	11.1	12.5				
8			4.90	6.08	7.27	8.44	9.61	10.8				
			5.75	7.12	8.49	9.84	11.2	12.5				
			7.33	9.12	10.9	12.7	14.5	16.2				
9			6.16	7.65	9.14	10.6	12.1	13.6	15.0			
			7.21	8.93	10.6	12.3	14.0	15.7	17.4			
			9.23	11.5	13.7	16.0	18.2	20.5	22.7			

Table Z.-Cubic foot volume for willow oak bole wood, bole wood plus bark, and complete trees-Continued

Dbh in inches	Total height in feet											
	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	110	120	130
	cubic						feet					
10				9.39	11.2	13.0	14.8	16.6	18.4			
				10.9	13.0	15.1	17.2	19.2	21.3			
				14.1	16.9	19.7	22.4	25.2	27.9			
11				11.3	13.5	15.7	17.9	20.0	22.2	24.3		
				13.1	15.7	18.2	20.6	23.1	25.6	28.0		
				17.0	20.4	23.7	27.1	30.4	33.7	37.0		
12				13.4	16.0	18.6	21.2	23.7	26.3	28.8		
				15.5	18.5	21.5	24.4	27.3	30.3	33.2		
				20.2	24.2	28.2	32.1	36.0	40.0	43.9		
13				15.6	18.7	21.7	24.7	27.7	30.7	33.7		
				18.1	21.6	25.0	28.5	31.9	35.3	38.7		
				23.7	28.3	32.9	37.6	42.2	46.8	51.4		
14				18.1	21.6	25.1	28.6	32.0	35.5	38.9		
				20.9	24.9	28.9	32.8	36.8	40.7	44.6		
				27.4	32.8	38.1	43.5	48.8	54.1	59.4		
15				20.7	24.7	28.7	32.7	36.6	40.6	44.5		
				23.9	28.4	33.0	37.5	42.0	46.5	50.9		
				31.4	37.5	43.6	49.8	55.9	62.0	68.0		
16				23.4	28.0	32.5	37.0	41.5	46.0	50.5	55.0	
				27.0	32.2	37.3	42.4	47.5	52.6	57.7	62.7	
				35.6	42.6	49.5	56.5	63.4	70.3	77.3	84.2	
17					31.5	36.6	41.7	46.7	51.8	56.8	61.8	
					36.2	42.0	47.7	53.4	59.1	64.8	70.4	
					48.0	55.8	63.6	71.5	79.2	87.0	94.8	
18					35.2	40.9	46.6	52.2	57.9	63.5	69.1	
					40.4	46.8	53.2	59.6	66.0	72.3	78.6	
					53.7	62.5	71.2	79.9	88.7	97.4	106	
19					39.1	45.4	51.7	58.0	64.3	70.5	76.8	
					44.8	52.0	59.1	66.2	73.2	80.2	87.3	
					59.7	69.5	79.2	88.9	98.6	108	118	
20					43.2	50.2	57.2	64.1	71.0	77.9	84.8	
					49.4	57.3	65.2	73.0	80.8	88.6	96.3	
					66.0	76.8	87.6	98.3	109	120	130	
21					47.5	55.2	62.9	70.5	78.1	85.7	93.3	101
					54.3	63.0	71.6	80.2	88.8	97.3	106	114
					72.7	84.5	96.4	108	120	132	144	155
22					52.0	60.4	68.8	77.2	85.5	93.8	102	110
					59.4	68.9	78.3	87.7	97.1	106	116	125
					79.6	92.6	106	119	132	144	157	170
23					56.7	65.9	75.0	84.2	93.2	102	111	120
					64.7	75.0	85.3	95.5	106	116	126	136
					86.9	101	115	129	144	158	172	186
24					61.6	71.6	81.5	91.4	101	111	121	131
					70.2	81.4	92.6	104	115	126	137	148
					94.5	110	125	141	156	171	187	202
25						77.5	88.3	99.0	110	120	131	142
						88.1	100	112	124	136	148	160
						119	136	152	169	186	202	219
26						83.7	95.3	107	118	130	141	153
						95.0	108	121	134	147	160	172
						129	147	165	183	201	218	236

Table 2.-Cubic foot volume for willow oak hole wood, bole wood plus bark, and complete trees-Continued

Dbh in inches	Total height in feet											
	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	110	120	130
	-----cubic feet -----											
27						90.0	103	115	127	140	152	164
						102	116	130	144	158	172	185
						139	158	177	197	216	235	255
28						96.6	110	123	137	150	163	176
						110	125	139	154	169	184	199
						149	170	190	211	232	253	273
29						103	118	132	146	161	175	189
						117	133	149	165	181	197	213
						159	182	204	226	249	271	293
30						111	126	141	156	172	187	202
						125	142	159	176	193	210	227
						170	194	218	242	266	289	313
31						118	134	150	167	183	199	215
						133	151	170	188	206	224	242
						182	207	233	258	283	309	334
32						125	143	160	177	195	212	229
						142	161	180	200	219	238	257
						193	221	248	275	302	328	355
33						133	152	170	188	207	225	243
						150	171	191	212	232	252	272
						206	234	263	292	320	349	378
34							161	180	199	219	238	258
							181	203	224	246	267	289
							248	279	309	340	370	400
35							170	191	211	232	252	272
							191	214	237	260	283	305
							263	295	327	360	392	424
36								201	223	245	266	288
								226	250	274	298	322
								312	346	380	414	448
37								212	235	258	281	304
								238	264	289	314	340
								329	365	401	437	473
38								224	248	272	296	320
								251	278	304	331	357
								347	385	423	460	498
39								235	261	286	311	336
								264	292	320	348	376
								365	405	445	485	524
40								247	274	300	327	353
								277	307	336	365	395
								384	426	468	509	551

¹Bole wood volume only, from a 1-ft stump to tip of tree.²Bole wood plus bark volume from a 1-ft stump to tip of tree.

"Complete tree volume, including branches, from a 1-ft stump to tip of tree.

*Italicized numbers denote limits of the data.

Table 3.-Green weight in pounds for willow oak bole wood, bole wood plus bark, and complete trees

Dbh in inches	Total height in feet										
	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	110	120
	pounds										
2	11¹ 14² 16³	17⁴ 20 24	22 27 31								
3		36 44 53	48 58 70	60 72 87							
4		64 76 93	84 101 123	105 125 153	125 149 183						
5			130 155 191	162 192 238	193 228 284	224 265 331					
6			186 219 273	231 272 340	275 324 407	320 376 474	364 427 540				
7			251 295 370	311 365 461	372 435 551	432 505 642	492 574 732	552 643 822			
8			325 381 481	404 472 599	482 563 717	560 652 834	638 742 952	716 830 1069			
9			409 478 607	508 592 756	606 705 904	705 818 1052	803 930 1200	900 1041 1347	997 1152 1494		
10				623 725 930	745 864 1112	865 1001 1295	985 1138 1476	1105 1275 1658	1224 1410 1839		
11				751 871 1121	896 1037 1342	1042 1202 1562	1186 1367 1781	1330 1531 2000	1474 1693 2218	1617 1856 2436	
12				889 1029 1331	1062 1226 1592	1234 1421 1853	1405 1615 2113	1576 1809 2373	1746 2001 2632	1916 2193 2891	
13				1039 1200 1558	1241 1429 1864	1442 1657 2169	1642 1884 2474	1842 2109 2778	2041 2334 3082	2239 2557 3385	
14				1200 1383 1803	1434 1648 2157	1666 1911 2510	1897 2172 2863	2127 2432 3214	2357 2691 3565	2586 2948 3916	
15				1373 1579 2065	1640 1881 2470	1905 2181 2875	2170 2479 3279	2433 2776 3682	2696 3072 4084	2958 3366 4485	
16				1557 1787 2344	1859 2129 2805	2160 2469 3264	2460 2807 3723	2759 3143 4180	3057 3477 4637	3354 3810 5093	3651 4142 5548
17					2092 2392 3160	2431 2774 3678	2768 3153 4195	3105 3530 4710	3440 3906 5225	3775 4280 5738	4108 4653 6251
18					2339 2670 3537	2717 3095 4116	3094 3519 4694	3470 3940 5271	3845 4359 5847	4219 4777 6421	4592 5193 6995

Table 3.—*Green weight in pounds for willow oak bole wood, bole wood plus bark, and complete trees—Continued*

Dbh in inches	Total height in feet											
	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	110	120	130
	-----pounds-----											
19					2598	3019	3438	3856	4272	4687	5102	
					2962	3434	3904	4371	4836	5300	5761	
					3934	4578	5221	5863	6503	7142	7781	
20					2871	3336	3799	4261	4721	5180	5638	
					3268	3789	4308	4823	5337	5848	6358	
					4352	5064	5776	6485	7194	7901	8607	
21					3157	3668	4178	4685	5191	5696	6200	6702
					3589	4161	4731	5297	5861	6422	6982	7540
					4790	5575	6,358	7139	7919	8697	9475	10251
22					3456	4016	4574	5129	5683	6236	6787	7337
					3924	4550	5173	5792	6408	7022	7634	8244
					5249	6109	6967	7823	8678	9531	10383	11234
23					3769	4379	4987	5593	6197	6800	7401	8001
					4274	4956	5634	6308	6979	7648	8314	8978
					5729	6668	7604	8538	9471	10402	11332	12261
24					4095	4758	5418	6076	6733	7387	8040	8692
					4638	5378	6113	6845	7574	8299	9022	9743
					6230	7250	8268	9284	10299	11311	12322	13332
25						5151	5866	6579	7290	7998	8706	9411
						5816	6612	7403	8191	8976	9758	10537
						7857	8960	10061	11160	12257	13353	14447
26						5560	6332	7101	7868	8633	9396	10158
						6271	7129	7982	8832	9678	10521	11361
						8487	9679	10868	12056	13241	14424	15607
27						5984	6815	7643	8468	9291	10113	10932
						6742	7664	8582	9495	10405	11312	12215
						9142	10425	11706	12985	14262	15537	16810
28						6423	7315	8203	9089	9973	10855	11735
						7230	8219	9203	10182	11158	12130	13099
						9820	11199	12575	13948	15320	16689	18057
29						6877	7832	8783	9732	10678	11622	12564
						7734	8792	9844	10892	11935	12975	14012
						10522	11999	13474	14946	16415	17883	19348
30						7346	8366	9,383	10396	11407	12416	13422
						8254	9383	10506	11624	12738	13848	14954
						11248	12827	14404	15977	17548	19116	20683
31						7831	8918	10001	11082	12159	13234	14307
						8790	9993	11189	12380	13566	14748	15926
						11998	13682	15364	17042	18717	20391	22062
32						8330	9487	10639	11788	12935	14078	15219
						9343	10621	11892	13158	14419	15675	16927
						12771	14564	16354	18141	19924	21705	23484
33						8844	10072	11296	12516	13733	14947	16159
						9911	11267	12616	13959	15296	16629	17957
						13568	15474	17375	19273	21168	23060	24950
34							10675	11972	13265	14555	15842	17126
							11932	13360	14782	16198	17610	19016
							16410	18426	20439	22449	24456	26460
35							11295	12667	14036	15400	16762	18120
							12615	14125	15628	17126	18618	20105
							17373	19508	21639	23767	25891	28013

Table 3.-Green weight in pounds for willow oak bole wood, bole wood plus bark, and complete trees-Continued

Dbh in inches	Total height in feet											
	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	110	120	130
	pounds											
36								13382	14827	16269	17707	19142
								14910	16497	18077	19652	21222
								20620	22873	25122	27367	29610
37								14115	15639	17160	18677	20191
								15715	17388	19054	20714	22368
								21763	24140	26513	28883	31250
38								14867	16473	18075	19672	21267
								16541	18301	20055	21802	23543
								22935	25441	27942	30440	32934
39								15638	17328	19012	20693	22370
								17387	19237	21080	22917	24747
								24138	26775	29408	32036	34662
40								16429	18204	19973	21739	23500
								18253	20195	22130	24058	25980
								25371	28143	30910	33673	36432

¹Bole wood weight only, from a 1-ft stump to tip of tree.

²Bole weight of wood plus bark from a 1-ft stump to tip of tree.

³Complete tree weight, including branches, from a 1-ft stump to tip of tree.

⁴Italicized numbers denote limits of the data.

Table 4.—Ovendry weight in pounds for willow oak bole wood, bole wood plus bark, and complete trees

Dbh in inches	Total height in feet											
	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	110	120	130
	pounds											
2	6 ¹	9"	13									
	8 ²	11	15									
	9 ³	13	18									
3		21	27	34								
		25	32	40								
		30	40	49								
4		36	48	59	71							
		43	56	70	83							
		52	70	87	103							
5			74	91	109	127						
			87	107	128	148						
			108	134	160	187						
6			105	130	155	180	205					
			123	153	182	211	240					
			154	192	229	267	304					
7			141	175	209	243	276	309				
			166	205	245	284	322	361				
			209	260	311	361	412	462				
8			183	227	270	314	357	400				
			214	265	316	367	417	467				
			271	338	404	470	535	601				

Table 4.—*Ovendry weight in pounds for willow oak hole wood, bole wood plus bark, and complete trees-Continued*

Dbh in inches	Total height in feet											
	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	110	120	130
	-----pounds-----											
9			230	285	340	394	449	503	557			
			268	333	396	460	523	585	648			
			342	425	509	592	675	757	840			
10				349	416	483	550	616	683			
				407	486	563	640	717	793			
				523	626	728	830	932	1033			
11				420	501	581	661	741	821	900		
				489	583	676	769	861	953	1044		
				631	754	878	1001	1123	1246	1368		
12				497	593	688	783	877	971	1065		
				579	689	799	909	1018	1127	1235		
				748	895	1041	1187	1332	1478	1623		
13				580	692	803	914	1024	1134	1243		
				675	804	933	1060	1187	1314	1440		
				876	1047	1218	1389	1559	1729	1899		
14				669	798	927	1054	1182	1308	1435		
				778	927	1075	1223	1369	1515	1661		
				1013	1211	1409	1607	1803	2000	2196		
15				765	912	1059	1205	1350	1495	1640		
				889	1059	1228	1396	1563	1730	1896		
				1160	1387	1614	1840	2065	2290	2515		
16				867	1034	1200	1365	1530	1694	1858	2021	
				1006	1199	1390	1581	1770	1959	2147	2334	
				1316	1574	1832	2088	2344	2600	2855	3109	
17					1162	1349	1535	1720	1905	2089	2272	
					1347	1562	1776	1989	2201	2412	2623	
					1773	2063	2352	2640	2928	3215	3502	
18					1298	1507	1714	1921	2127	2333	2538	
					1503	1743	1982	2220	2457	2692	2927	
					1984	2308	2631	2954	3276	3597	3918	
19					1441	1673	1903	2133	2362	2590	2817	
					1668	1934	2199	2463	2726	2987	3248	
					2206	2567	2926	3285	3643	4000	4357	
20					1591	1847	2102	2356	2608	2860	3111	
					1841	2135	2427	2718	3008	3297	3585	
					2440	2839	3236	3633	4029	4424	4819	
21					1749	2030	2310	2589	2866	3143	3419	3694
					2022	2345	2666	2986	3304	3621	3937	4252
					2685	3124	3562	3998	4434	4869	5303	5737
22					1914	2221	2527	2832	3136	3439	3741	4042
					2211	2564	2916	3265	3613	3960	4306	4650
					2942	3423	3902	4381	4858	5335	5810	6285
23					2085	2421	2754	3087	3418	3748	4077	4405
					2408	2793	3176	3557	3936	4313	4690	5065
					3210	3735	4258	4780	5301	5821	6340	6859
24					2264	2628	2991	3351	3711	4069	4426	4783
					2614	3031	3447	3860	4271	4681	5090	5497
					3490	4061	4629	5197	5763	6328	6893	7456
25						2844	3236	3627	4016	4403	4790	5176
						3279	3728	4175	4620	5064	5505	5946
						4399	5016	5630	6244	6857	7468	8079

Table 4.—*Ovendry weight in pounds for willow oak bole wood, bole wood plus bark, and complete trees—Continued*

Dbh in inches	Total height in feet											
	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	110	120	130
	----- pounds -----											
26						3068	3491	3913	4332	4750	5168	5583
						3536	4020	4502	4982	5460	5937	6411
						4752	5417	6081	6744	7405	8066	8725
27						3301	3756	4209	4660	5110	5559	6006
						3802	4323	4841	5357	5871	6383	6894
						5117	5834	6549	7263	7975	8686	9396
28						3541	4029	4516	5000	5483	5964	6444
						4077	4636	5192	5745	6296	6846	7393
						5496	6266	7034	7800	8565	9329	10092
29						3790	4312	4833	5351	5868	6383	6896
						4362	4959	5554	6146	6736	7324	7910
						5888	6713	7535	8357	9176	9995	10812
30						4047	4605	5160	5714	6265	6815	7364
						4656	5293	5928	6560	7190	7817	8442
						6293	7175	8054	8932	9808	10683	11556
31						4312	4906	5498	6088	6675	7261	7846
						4959	5638	6314	6987	7658	8326	8992
						6712	7652	8590	9526	10460	11393	12324
32						4585	5217	5846	6473	7098	7721	8343
						5271	5993	6711	7427	8140	8850	9558
						7143	8144	9142	10139	11133	12126	13117
33						4866	5537	6205	6870	7533	8195	8854
						5592	6358	7121	7880	8636	9389	10140
						7588	8651	9712	10770	11826	12881	13934
34							5866	6573	7278	7981	8682	9381
							6734	7541	8345	9146	9944	10739
							9173	10298	11420	12540	13659	14775
35							6204	6952	7698	8441	9182	9921
							7120	7973	8823	9670	10514	11355
							9711	10901	12089	13275	14459	15641
36								7342	8129	8914	9697	10477
								8417	9315	10208	11099	11987
								11521	12777	14030	15281	16530
37								7741	8572	9399	10224	11047
								8873	9819	10761	11700	12636
								12158	13483	14805	16125	17444
38								8151	9025	9897	10765	11632
								9339	10335	11327	12315	13300
								12811	14208	15601	16992	18382
39								8571	9490	10407	11320	12231
								9818	10864	11907	12946	13982
								13482	14951	16417	17882	19343
40								9001	9967	10929	11888	12845
								10308	11406	12501	13592	14679
								14169	15713	17254	18793	20329

¹Bole wood weight only, from a 1-ft stump to tip of tree.²Bole weight of wood plus bark from a 1-ft stump to tip of tree.³Complete tree weight, including branches, from a 1-ft stump to tip of tree

*Italicized numbers denote limits of the data.

Table 5.—Willow oak ratio parameter estimates for calculating the proportion of merchantable bole to total bole: $RI = \alpha + \beta\gamma^{D*}$

Ratio	n'	α	β	γ	$S_{y.x}$
R2	62	0.999	0.426	0.654	0.00140
R4	62	0.995	1.251	0.732	0.00847
R6	61	0.979	-32.613	0.607	0.03062
R8	58	0.970	-22.975	0.694	0.03285
R10	51	0.964	-43.915	0.718	0.04494
R12	44	0.944	-57.668	0.735	0.05016

*RI = (merchantable bole to outside bark diameter I)/total bole.

†n = number of observations used to estimate equation parameters.

Table B.—Regression statistics for predicting willow oak bole volumes and weights; $\ln(Y) = \ln(a) + b \ln(D \cdot D_{1/3} \cdot H)$

Component	Average	$\ln(a)$	b	FI	$\hat{S}_{y.x}$	C.V. percent
Volume (cubic feet)						
Bole wood	54.7	5.901	0.98709	0.992	5.03*	9.2
Bole bark	7.3	-7.073	0.90868	0.938	1.73	23.6
Total bole	62.0	-5.654	0.97561	0.990	6.35*	10.2
Green weight (pounds)						
Bole wood	3634	1.710	0.98764	0.989	402"	11.1
Bole bark	464	-2.774	0.89352	0.931	117	25.2
Total bole	4098	-1.446	0.97395	0.987	478*	11.7
Dry weight (pounds)						
Bole wood	1991	-2.235	0.98105	0.986	243*	12.2
Bole bark	299	-3.733	0.94483	0.915	84	28.2
Total bole	2290	-2.034	0.97539	0.984	297*	13.0

'All predictions from a 1-ft stump to tree tip.

"Significantly more precise than D^2H model; $\alpha = 0.05$

Table 'I.-Regression statistics **for predicting** willow oak bole volumes and weights;' $\text{Ln}(Y) = \text{Ln}(a) + b \text{ Ln}[(D \cdot D_{1/2} + D_{1/4}^2)H]$

Component	Average	Ln(a)	b	FI	$\hat{S}_{y \cdot x}$	C.V. percent
Volume (cubic feet)						
Bole wood	54.7	- 6.545	1.00359	0.998	2.38"	4.4
Bole bark	7.3	7.672	0.92423	0.959	1.41*	19.3
Total bole	62.0	- 6.291	0.99196	0.998	3.02*	4.9
Green weight (pounds)						
Bole wood	3634	- 2.354	1.00410	0.995	259*	7.1
Bole bark	464	- 3.364	0.90895	0.953	97†	20.8
Total bole	4098	- 2.083	0.99026	0.995	284"	6.9
Dry weight (pounds)						
Bole wood	1991	2.875	0.99738	0.993	168*	8.4
Bole bark	299	- 4.356	0.96103	0.940	71†	23.7
Total bole	2290	2.672	0.99169	0.993	191"	8.3

*All predictions from a 1-ft stump to tree tip.

*Significantly more precise than $D \cdot D_{1/3} \cdot H$ model; $\alpha = 0.05$.

†Significantly more precise than D^2H model; $\alpha = 0.05$.

APPENDIX

Examples of Equation and Table Use

In this section a few examples are given to illustrate use of the equations and tables presented. The following tabulation presents data for one of the trees used in constructing the equations; these data are used to illustrate equation use:

D = 18.0 in
H = 107 ft
 $D_{1/4}$ = 14.5 in
 $D_{1/3}$ = 14.1 in
 $D_{1/2}$ = 10.0 in

To calculate bole wood volume from D^2H and the coefficients from table 1:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Ln}(V) &= \text{Ln}(a) + b \text{ Ln}(D^2H) \\ &= -6.047 + 0.97301 \text{ Ln}(18.0 \times 18.0 \times 107) \\ &= -6.047 + 0.97301 \text{ Ln}(34668) \\ &= -6.047 + 0.97301(10.454) \\ &= -6.047 + 10.171\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Ln}(V) &= 4.124 \\ V &= e^{(4.124)}\end{aligned}$$

Bole wood volume = 61.8 ft³.

To calculate total bole green weight from $X = D \cdot D_{1/3} \cdot H$ and the coefficients given in table 6:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Ln}(W) &= \text{Ln}(a) + b \text{ Ln}(D \cdot D_{1/3} \cdot H) \\ &= -1.446 + 0.97395 \text{ Ln}(18.0 \times 14.1 \times 107) \\ &= -1.446 + 0.97395 \text{ Ln}(27156.6) \\ &= -1.446 + 0.97395(10.209) \\ &= -1.446 + 9.943\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Ln}(W) &= 8.497 \\ W &= e^{(8.497)}\end{aligned}$$

Total bole green weight = 4,902 lb.

To calculate bole bark dry weight using $X = (D \cdot D_{1/2} + D_{1/4}^2)H$ and the coefficients of table 7:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Ln}(W) &= \text{Ln}(a) + b \text{ Ln}[(D \cdot D_{1/2} + D_{1/4}^2)H] \\ &= -4.356 + 0.96103 \text{ Ln}[(18.0 \times 10.0 + 14.5 \times 14.5) \times 107] \\ &= -4.356 + 0.96103 \text{ Ln}[(180 + 210.25) \times 107] \\ &= -4.356 + 0.96103 \text{ Ln}[41756.75] \\ &= -4.356 + 0.96103(10.640) \\ &= -4.356 + 10.225\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Ln}(W) = 5.869$$

$$W = e^{(5.869)}$$

Bole bark dry weight = 353.9 lb.

Merchantable bole values to a 6-inch top, for example, are calculated using table 5 to estimate the merchantable proportion of the total bole and then multiplying this proportion by the total bole estimate of interest:

$$\begin{aligned} RI &= a + \beta\gamma^D \\ R6 &= 0.979 + (-32.613) (0.607)^{18.0} \\ &= 0.979 + (-32.613) (0.00012514) \\ &= 0.979 - 0.00408 \\ R6 &= 0.97492. \end{aligned}$$

Then bole wood volume to a 6-inch top can be calculated:

$$V6 = (R6) \text{ (total bole wood volume)}$$

$$V6 = (0.97492) (61.8)$$

$$V6 = 60.3\text{ft}^3.$$

And dry bark weight to the 6-inch top is:

$$W6 = (R6) \text{ (total bole dry bark weight)}$$

$$W6 = (0.97492) (353.9)$$

$$W6 = 345 \text{ lb.}$$

Total bole volumes or weights can be calculated by any one of the three sets of coefficients given in tables 1, 6, or 7. Then, any of these total bole calculations can be used with the ratio estimators to find merchantable bole values. The choice of equations is left to the user who must balance inventory precision against inventory cost.

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