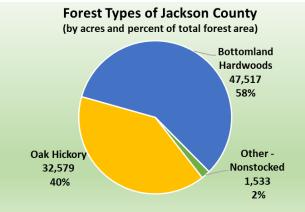
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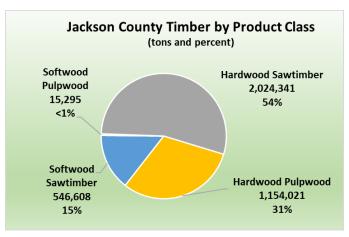


Jackson County Forest Facts

Forests occupy 81,629 acres (20%) of the land area in Jackson County; 100% of the forests are privately owned. The hardwood forests are 76% of natural origin, 24% of the hardwood forests are planted. Forest area by covertype is shown in the figure below.

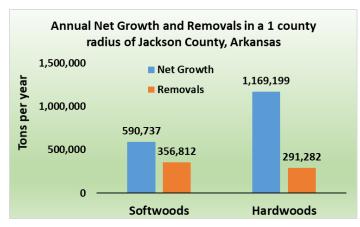


The forests of Jackson County contain 561,903 tons of softwood timber and 3,178,362 tons of hardwood timber. The forest is made up of largely hardwood saw timber trees as shown below.



Timber Supply around Jackson County

Within a 1-county radius around and including Jackson County (Craighead, Cross, Independence, Lawrence, Poinsett, Woodruff and White) there are 11 million tons of pine and 48 million tons of hardwood timber. In this 8-county region, annual net growth exceeds harvest by 1,111,841 tons, 79% of which is hardwoods, as shown below.



Economic Contributions of Jackson County Forests Forest industries contribute \$2,412,245 annually to Jackson County's value added (GDP) which is 0.4% of the county's total economic activity, much less than the state-wide average of 4.95%. Curtner Lumber and Logging operates out of Newport. Income from forestry sectors is 435% of the county average. The high value for labor income in logging and solid wood products is that depreciation for equipment is part of labor income reported by the US Bureau of Economic Analysis. The direct economic contribution of Jackson County's forest industry is shown in the table below by sectors.

Sector	Employees	Labor Income	Value Added (GDP)
Forestry	1	\$49,854	\$48,484
Logging	5	\$861,734	\$878,750
Solid Wood Products	4	\$1,359,233	\$1,365,501
Furniture	1	\$2,361	\$2,570
Forestry Totals in Jackson County	11	\$2,388,921	\$2,412,245

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