

Scott County Forests and Forest Industry, 2021

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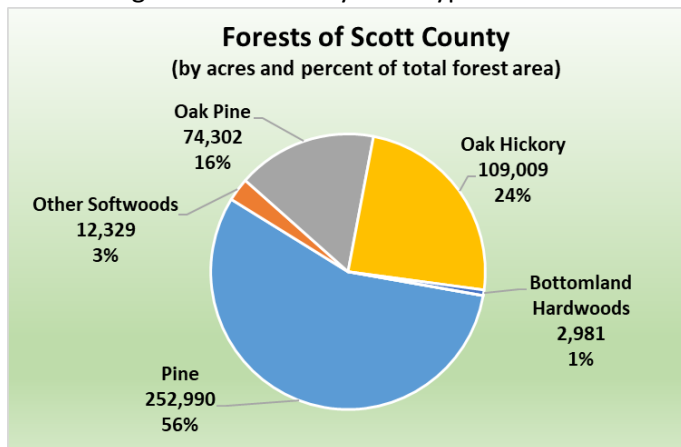
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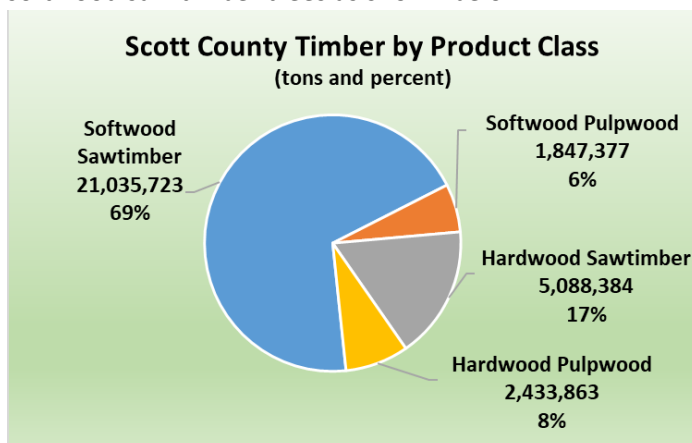


Scott County Forest Facts

Forests occupy 451,611 acres (79%) of the land area in Scott County; 22% of the forests are privately owned. The rest of the forests in Searcy County are part of the Ouachita National Forest. Planted forests account for 38% of the pine and 6% of the non-pine forests in Scott County. Overall, 76% of the county's forests are of natural origin. Forest area by coverytype is shown below.



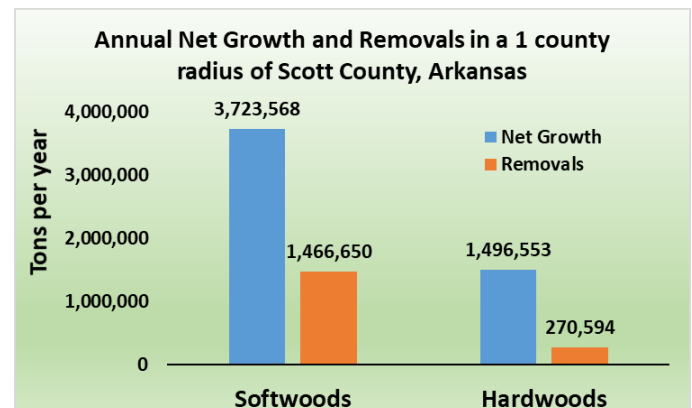
The forests of Scott County contain 22,883,100 tons of softwood (pine) timber and 7,522,247 tons of hardwood timber. The forest is made up of largely softwood saw timber trees as shown below.



Timber Supply around Scott County

Within a 1-county radius around and including Scott County (Logan, Montgomery, Polk, Sebastian and Yell in

Arkansas and Leflore in Oklahoma) there are 100 million tons of pine and 59 million tons of hardwood timber. In this 7 county region, annual net growth exceeds harvest by 3,482,876 tons, 65% of which is softwoods (pine).



Economic Contributions of Scott County Forests

Forest industries contribute \$7,159,041 annually to Scott County's value added (GDP) which is 3% of the county's total economic activity. This is less than the state-wide average of 4.95%. Forest industries in the county include A and B Pallet, B and B Cedar, Square Rock Lumber, and West Fraser. Three logging firms operate from Scott County. Income in Scott County's forestry sectors is 148% of the county average. The direct economic contribution of Scott County's forest industry is shown in the table below by sectors.

Sector	Employees	Labor Income	Value Added (GDP)
Forestry	less than 1	\$7,206	\$7,172
Logging	50	\$3,584,693	\$3,657,688
Solid Wood Products	56	\$1,983,074	\$3,488,531
Furniture	less than 1	\$2,778	\$3,104
Forestry Totals in Scott County	108	\$5,579,096	\$7,159,041