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RE: The Contribution of Federal Logs to the Nation's Wood Consumption

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All below are the most recent available numbers (Excel worksheet available upon request).

In CY 2017, wood consumption in the United States totaled 14,851 million cubic feet.¹

In FY 2020, the USDA Forest Service sold **596** million cubic feet of wood.²

In FY 2019, the USDI Bureau of Land Management *offered for sale* **50** million cubic feet of wood.³

The current total wood production from federal public lands is **646** million cubic feet, or **4.4%** of total US consumption.

In 2017, **672** million cubic feet of *unprocessed wood* (logs and chips) were *exported* from the United States.⁴

Each year, **1,152** million cubic feet of wood from urban forests is *not* made into useful wood products.⁵



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¹ Howard, James. L and Shaobo Liang. 2019. <u>U.S. Timber Production, Trade, Consumption and Price Statistics,</u> 1965-2017. USDA Forest Service Forest Products Laboratory. Original data in million cubic feet.

² USDA Forest Service. 2020. <u>Cut and Sold (New) CUTS203S: Cumulative 2020</u>. Original data in hundred cubic feet.

³ USDI Bureau of Land Management 2020. <u>Public Land Statistics 2019</u>. Table 3-12. Original data in thousand board feet and tons. Per table footnote, the conversion factors used were 1 MBF = 1.6 CCF = 6 tons.

⁵ David J. Nowak, Erik J. Greenfield, and Ryan M. Ash. 2019. <u>Annual Biomass Loss and Potential Value of Urban Tree Waste in the United States</u>. Urban Forestry and Urban Greening 46:126469. Original data in billion board feet. Converted using the factors noted in Note 3.