

B.C. Forest Product Exports - October 2021

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This report provides an overview of British Columbia's forest product exports and markets. In 2020, forest product exports made up 29% of B.C.'s total commodity export value.

Table 1: Value by Product, YTD October 2021



Table 2: Value by Country, YTD October 2021

	Share of Value			
	Value (\$M)	Change YoY ¹	October 2020	October 2021
US	\$8,780	69%	55%	62%
China*	\$2,588	10%	25%	18%
Japan	\$1,224	82%	7%	9%
Others	\$1,574	33%	13%	11%
Grand Total	\$14,167	51%	100%	100%

Table 3: Value in \$ Millions by Product, YTD October 2021

	2020	2021	Change YoY ¹
Softwood Lumber	\$4,350	\$7,812	80%
Pulp	\$2,387	\$2,795	17%
Paper	\$501	\$589	18%
Logs	\$244	\$400	64%
Other Wood Products	\$1,911	\$2,571	35%
Grand Total	\$9,393	\$14,167	51%

Table 4: Share of Value, YTD October 2021

	Softwood Lumber	Pulp	Paper ³	Logs	Other Wood ²	Grand Total
US	76%	11%	53%	8%	84%	62%
China*	5%	65%	32%	48%	1%	18%
Japan	10%	5%	2%	37%	4%	9%
Others	8%	19%	13%	7%	11%	11%
Grand Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 5: Share of Quantity, YTD October 2021**

	Softwood Lumber	Pulp	Logs	Panel ⁴	Pellet
United States	77%	11%	10%	91%	0%
China*	9%	66%	47%	5%	0%
Japan	7%	5%	36%	2%	41%
South Korea	1%	4%	6%	1%	10%
Indonesia	0%	6%	0%	0%	0%
United Kingdom	0%	0%	0%	1%	40%
Other	6%	9%	0%	1%	9%
Grand Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 6: Quantity by Product, YTD October 2021

	2020	2021	Change YoY ¹
Softwood Lumber (x1,000 m ³)	14,988	16,131	8%
Pulp (x1,000 tonnes)	3,232	2,996	-7%
Logs (x1,000 m ³)	2,116	3,275	55%

*China includes exports to Hong Kong.

**Bars denote country share compared with other countries within each product

1. Colour denotes if share is up or down compared with previous year.

2. Includes wood products such as veneer, oriented strand board (OSB), plywood, siding, poles, chips, ties, mouldings, panels, furniture, seats, pellets, shake & shingles, etc.

3. Includes paper products such as paper, cards, cartons, rolls, trays, containers and sacks & bags, etc.

4. Panels include OSB, plywood, particleboard, and fibreboard.

All values are in Canadian Dollars unless specified otherwise.

Export Values by Product and Destination

Figure 1: Total Export Value

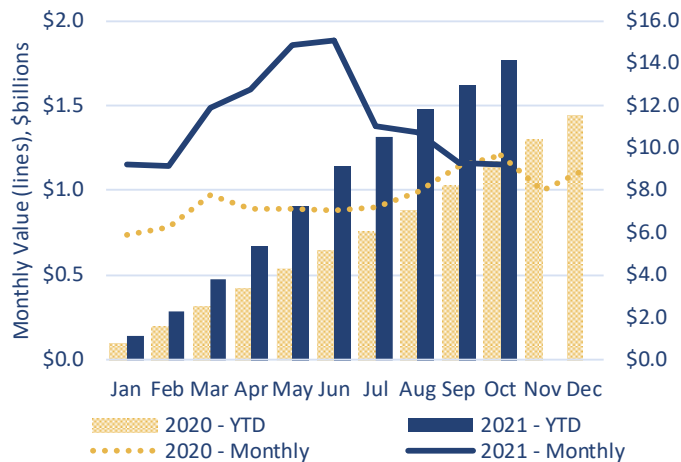


Figure 2: Total Export Value - 12-Month Moving Sum

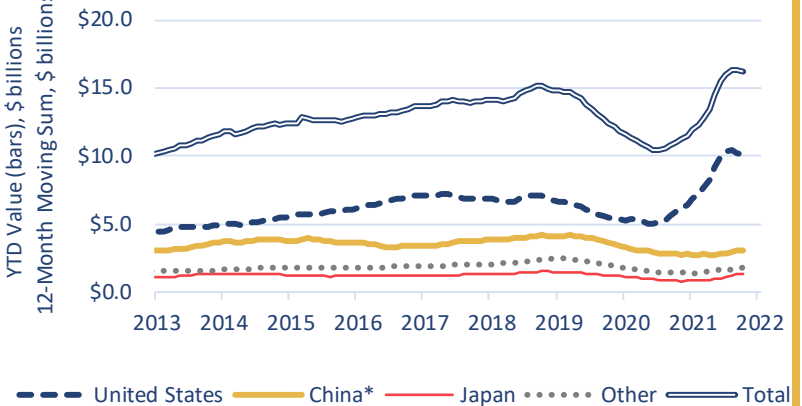


Figure 3: Softwood Lumber Export Value

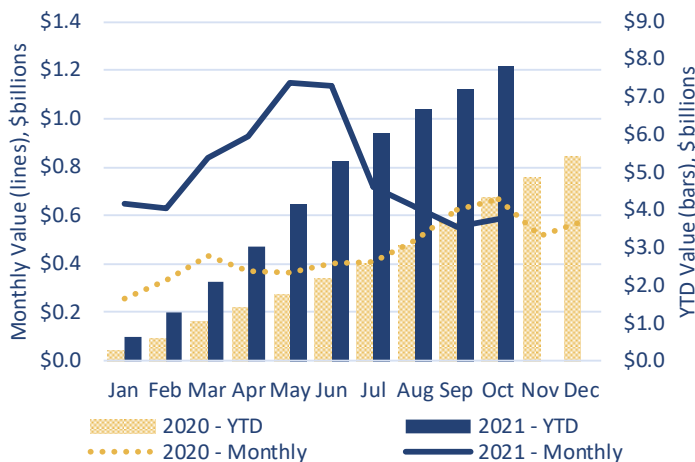


Figure 4: Softwood Lumber Export Value - 12-Month Moving Sum

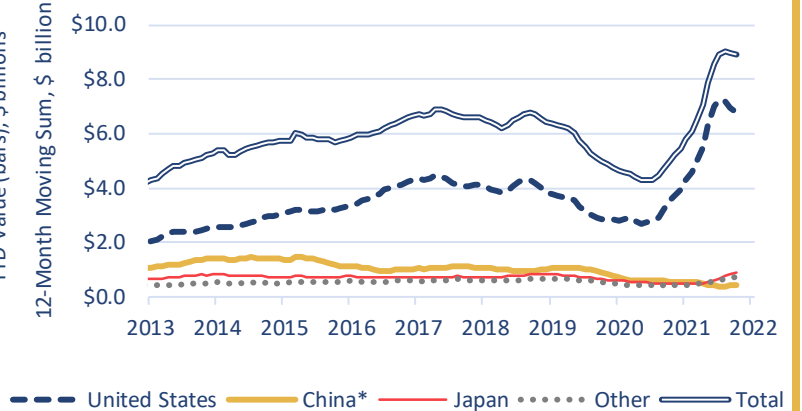


Figure 5: Pulp Export Value

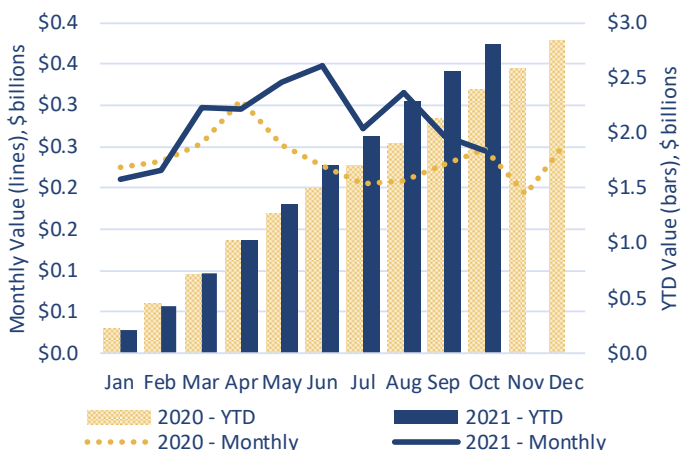
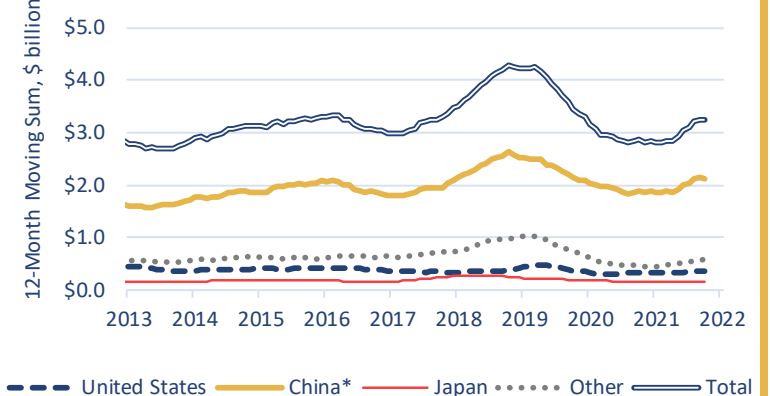


Figure 6: Pulp Export Value - 12-Month Moving Sum



Export Values by Product and Destination

Figure 7: Paper Export Value

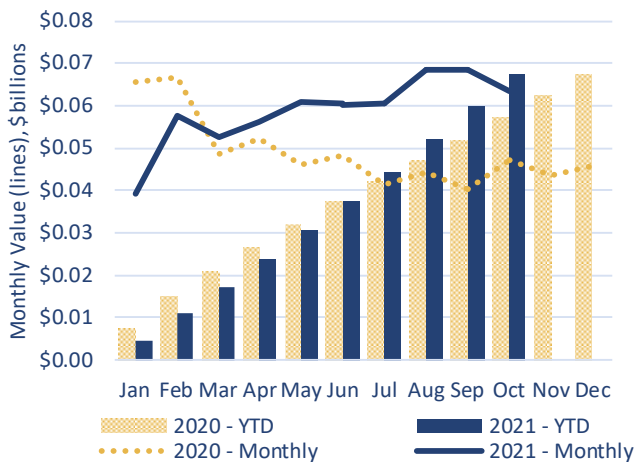


Figure 8: Paper Export Value - 12-Month Moving Sum

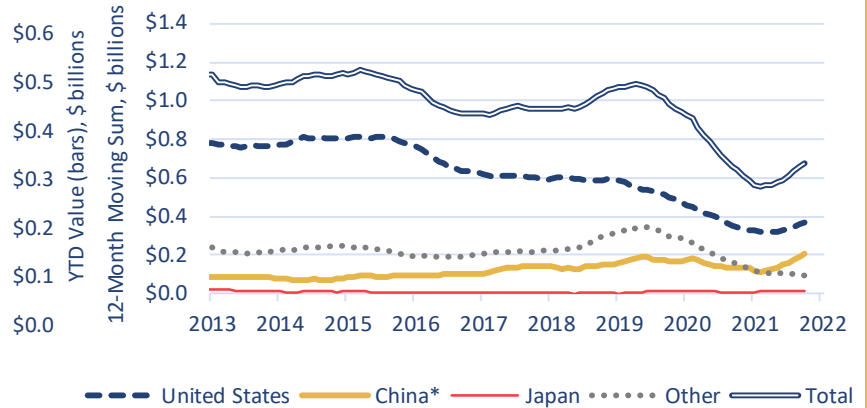


Figure 9: Logs Export Value

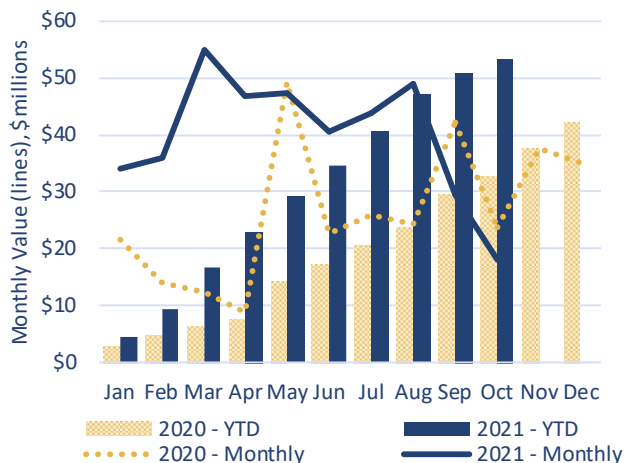


Figure 10: Log Export Value - 12-Month Moving Sum

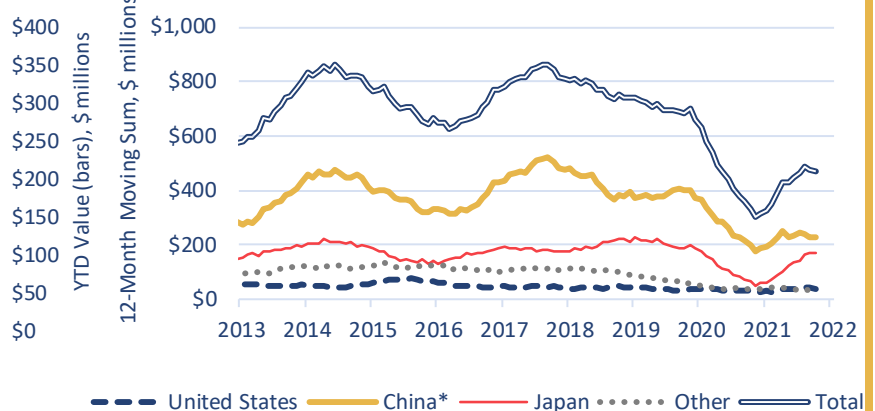


Figure 11: Other Wood Products Export Value

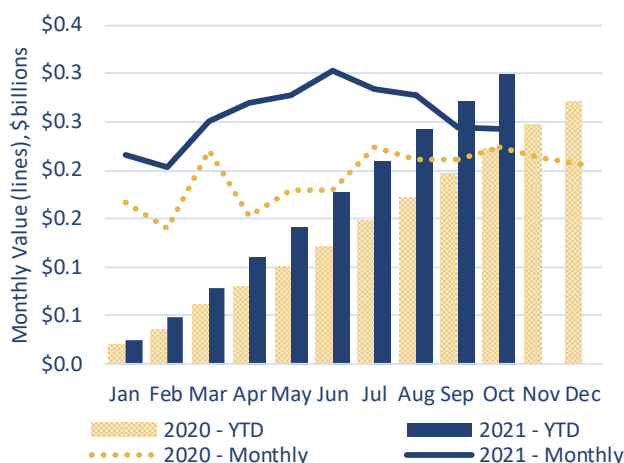
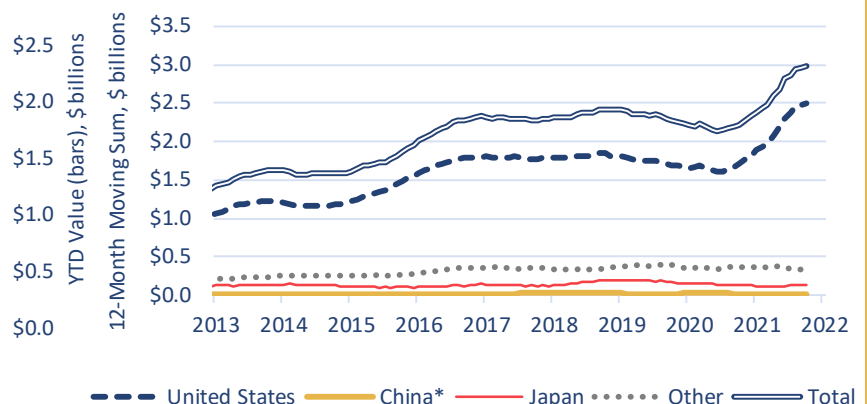


Figure 12: Other Wood Export Value - 12-Month Moving Sum



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Table 7: Value in \$ Millions, October 2021

October 2021								Change YoY ¹	October 2020							
Softwood Lumber	Pulp	Paper ³	Logs	Other Wood ²	Country Total	Country Share			Softwood Lumber	Pulp	Paper ³	Logs	Other Wood ²	Country Total	Country Share	
US	\$367	\$28	\$34	\$0	\$198	\$627	54%	-21%	US	\$557	\$25	\$29	\$4	\$182	\$796	66%
China*	\$61	\$154	\$24	\$14	\$1	\$255	22%	5%	China*	\$38	\$178	\$10	\$16	\$1	\$243	20%
Japan	\$91	\$11	\$0	\$3	\$9	\$114	10%	78%	Japan	\$39	\$11	\$1	\$2	\$11	\$64	5%
Others	\$66	\$52	\$5	\$1	\$37	\$160	14%	50%	Others	\$34	\$34	\$7	\$2	\$30	\$107	9%
Grand Total	\$585	\$245	\$64	\$18	\$245	\$1,157	100%	-4%	Grand Total	\$668	\$248	\$47	\$24	\$224	\$1,210	100%
Product Share	51%	21%	5%	2%	21%	100%										
Change YoY	-12%	-1%	35%	-23%	9%	-4%										

Table 8: Value in \$ Millions, YTD October 2021

YTD October 2021								Change YoY ¹	YTD October 2020							
Softwood Lumber	Pulp	Paper ³	Logs	Other Wood ²	Country Total	Country Share			Softwood Lumber	Pulp	Paper ³	Logs	Other Wood ²	Country Total	Country Share	
US*	\$5,964	\$301	\$315	\$33	\$2,167	\$8,780	62%	69%	US	\$3,131	\$281	\$275	\$22	\$1,476	\$5,184	55%
China*	\$372	\$1,823	\$186	\$190	\$16	\$2,588	18%	10%	China*	\$494	\$1,580	\$112	\$151	\$16	\$2,353	25%
Japan	\$815	\$143	\$10	\$148	\$108	\$1,224	9%	82%	Japan	\$381	\$137	\$6	\$39	\$109	\$672	7%
Others	\$660	\$528	\$78	\$29	\$280	\$1,574	11%	33%	Others	\$344	\$390	\$108	\$33	\$309	\$1,183	13%
Grand Total	\$7,812	\$2,795	\$589	\$400	\$2,571	\$14,167	100%	51%	Grand Total	\$4,350	\$2,387	\$501	\$244	\$1,911	\$9,393	100%
Product Share	55%	20%	4%	3%	18%	100%										
Change YoY	80%	17%	18%	64%	35%	51%										

Table 9: Quantity in Thousands, October 2021

October 2021			Change YoY ¹			October 2020		
Softwood Lumber (m ³)	Pulp (tonnes)	Logs (m ³)	Softwood Lumber	Pulp	Logs	Softwood Lumber (m ³)	Pulp (tonnes)	Logs (m ³)
US	1,119	30	-21%	-7%	-94%	US	1,420	32
China*	224	184	9%	-27%	-8%	China*	205	252
Japan	99	11	1%	-24%	108%	Japan	98	15
Others	103	55	43%	18%	-56%	Others	72	47
Grand Total	1,544	280	-14%	-19%	-19%	Grand Total	1,794	345

Table 10: Quantity in Thousands, YTD October 2021

YTD October 2021			Change YoY ¹			YTD October 2020		
Softwood Lumber (m ³)	Pulp (tonnes)	Logs (m ³)	Softwood Lumber	Pulp	Logs	Softwood Lumber (m ³)	Pulp (tonnes)	Logs (m ³)
US	12,352	322	16%	-8%	67%	US	10,617	351
China*	1,435	1,976	-43%	-10%	14%	China*	2,525	2,193
Japan	1,189	140	15%	-21%	315%	Japan	1,035	177
Others	1,155	558	43%	9%	-17%	Others	810	512
Grand Total	16,131	2,996	8%	-7%	55%	Grand Total	14,988	3,232

*China includes exports to Hong Kong.

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2. Includes wood products such as veneer, oriented strand board (OSB), plywood, siding, poles, chips, ties, mouldings, panels, furniture, seats, pellets, shake & shingles, etc.

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Table 11: B.C. Forest Product Export Value in \$ by Market, 2011 to YTD October 2021

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021 YTD
US	\$3,825	\$4,344	\$4,973	\$5,533	\$6,132	\$7,141	\$6,928	\$6,739	\$5,398	\$6,464	\$8,780
China*	\$3,252	\$3,107	\$3,662	\$3,769	\$3,673	\$3,411	\$3,852	\$4,144	\$3,426	\$2,799	\$2,588
Japan	\$1,178	\$1,135	\$1,343	\$1,278	\$1,193	\$1,230	\$1,307	\$1,507	\$1,195	\$830	\$1,224
Others	\$1,729	\$1,574	\$1,676	\$1,788	\$1,774	\$1,919	\$2,074	\$2,479	\$1,863	\$1,414	\$1,574
Grand Total	\$9,985	\$10,159	\$11,654	\$12,367	\$12,772	\$13,701	\$14,162	\$14,869	\$11,881	\$11,507	\$14,167

Table 12: B.C. Forest Product Export Value in \$ by Product, 2011 to YTD October 2021

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021 YTD
Softwood Lumber	\$3,833	\$4,204	\$5,311	\$5,723	\$5,792	\$6,669	\$6,624	\$6,417	\$4,756	\$5,436	\$7,812
Pulp	\$3,200	\$2,852	\$2,831	\$3,121	\$3,301	\$2,998	\$3,466	\$4,232	\$3,294	\$2,835	\$2,795
Paper ³	\$1,079	\$1,132	\$1,077	\$1,144	\$1,066	\$937	\$958	\$1,066	\$943	\$590	\$589
Other Wood Products ²	\$1,284	\$1,394	\$1,633	\$1,594	\$1,948	\$2,325	\$2,304	\$2,413	\$2,225	\$2,330	\$2,571
Logs	\$588	\$577	\$802	\$784	\$665	\$771	\$810	\$741	\$662	\$317	\$400
Grand Total	\$9,985	\$10,159	\$11,654	\$12,367	\$12,772	\$13,701	\$14,162	\$14,869	\$11,881	\$11,507	\$14,167

Table 13: B.C. Forest Product Export Quantity in Millions by Product, 2011 to YTD October 2021

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021 YTD
Softwood Lumber (m ³)	22.84	24.16	25.88	25.84	26.20	27.67	25.27	23.90	20.15	18.27	16.13
Pulp (tonnes)	4.10	4.45	4.15	4.14	4.27	4.07	4.32	4.08	4.07	3.85	3.00
Logs (m ³)	5.45	5.71	6.67	6.27	5.57	6.28	6.02	5.12	4.84	2.72	3.27
Panel ⁴ (m ³)	1.56	1.54	1.63	1.48	1.74	2.05	2.16	2.03	1.59	1.12	1.00
Pellet (tonnes)	0.76	1.06	1.22	1.29	1.26	1.93	1.78	2.27	2.14	2.37	2.02

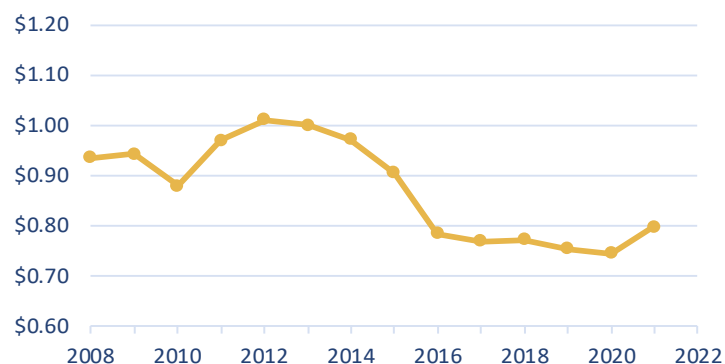
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Figure 13: Exchange Rate US\$/C\$



Source: [OANDA](#)

Additional annual data and charts can be found in the annual [Economic State of B.C.'s Forest Sector](#).

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Export Quantities by Product and Destination

Figure 14: Softwood Lumber Export Quantity

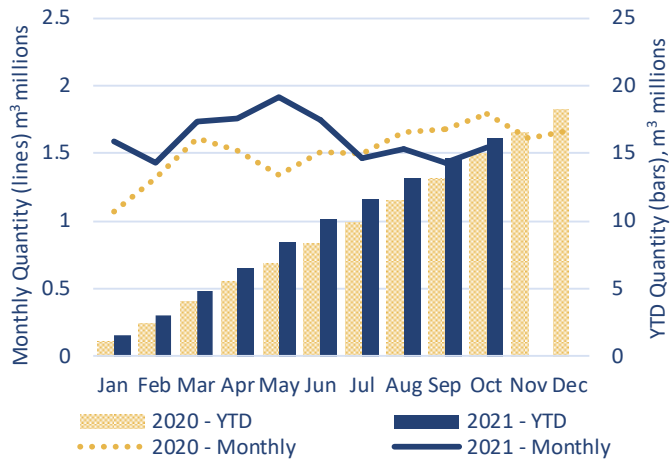


Figure 15: Softwood Lumber Export Quantity - 12-Month Moving Sum

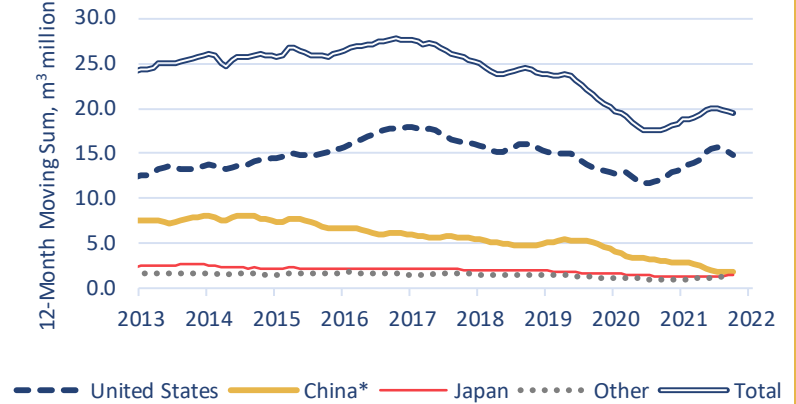


Figure 16: Pulp Export Quantity

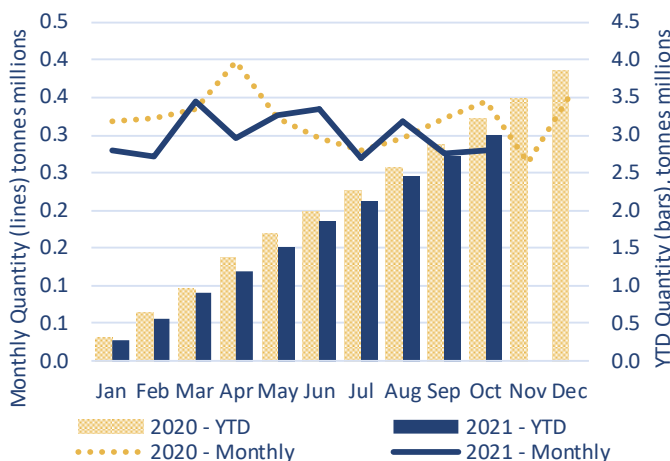


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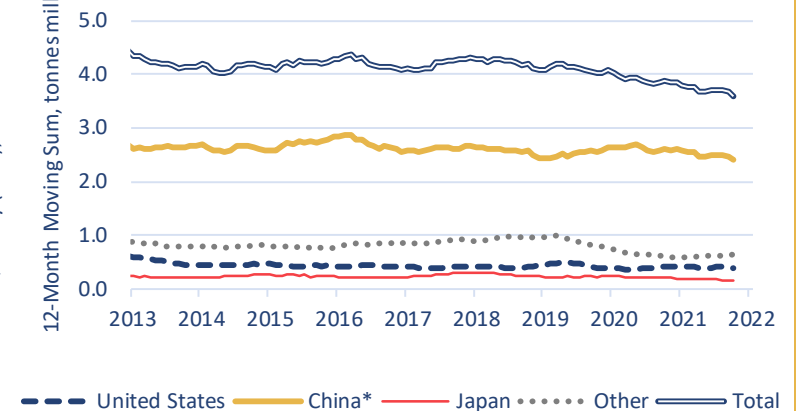


Figure 18: Logs Export Quantity

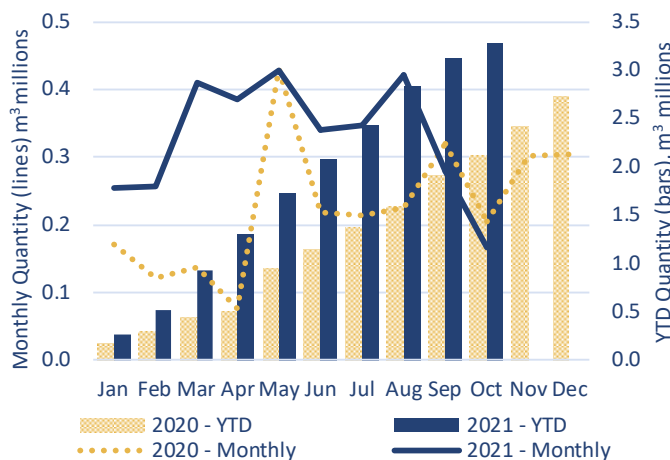
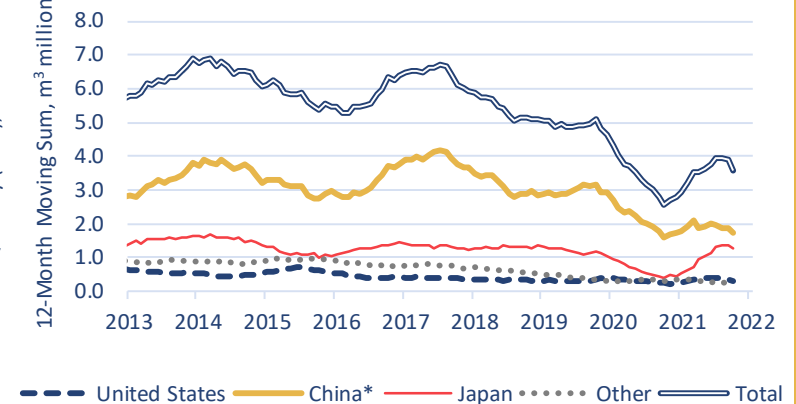


Figure 19: Log Export Quantity - 12-Month Moving Sum



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