

This monthly report provides an overview of BC's forest product exports and markets. British Columbia export values are down **-20%** in 2019 compared to 2018 (**\$11.9 billion vs \$14.9 billion**).

- **Lumber export** - Value is down **-26%** while volumes are down **-16%**. The decline is seen in lumber exports to all destination countries.
- **Pulp and paper export** - Pulp value is down **-22%** and the value of paper products is also down (**-12%**). There was a **+9%** increase in the volume of pulp exports to China.
- **Log and other wood exports** - The value of Other Wood

Products is down **-8%** while log exports are also down (**-11%**).

- **Share of Value (Table 4)** - The share of paper export values in the US declined from **56%** in 2018 to **50%** in 2019. Meanwhile, China's share of paper export values is up to **17%** in 2019 compared to **14%** 2018.
- **Value by destination** - United States (**-20%**), China (**-17%**), Japan (**-21%**) and other countries (**-25%**) are all down in 2019.

Table 1: Product Value Share (2019)

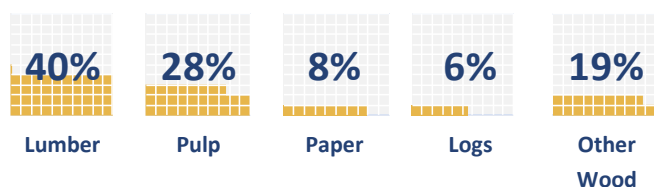


Table 4: Share of Value, 2019**

	Softwood Lumber	Pulp	Paper ³	Logs	Other Wood ²	Grand Total
United States	60%	11%	50%	6%	75%	46%
China*	16%	63%	17%	56%	1%	29%
Japan	13%	6%	2%	29%	7%	10%
Other	10%	20%	30%	9%	16%	16%
Grand Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 2: Value by Country, 2019

	Value (\$m)	Change YoY ¹	Share of Value YTD	
			December 2018	December 2019
United States	\$5,428	-20%	45%	46%
China*	\$3,425	-17%	28%	29%
Japan	\$1,195	-21%	10%	10%
Other	\$1,863	-25%	17%	16%
Grand Total	\$11,910	-20%	100%	100%

Table 5: Share of Quantity, 2019**

	Softwood Lumber	Pulp	Logs	Panel ⁴	Pellet
United States	65%	10%	8%	83%	1%
China*	21%	65%	61%	3%	0%
Japan	8%	6%	24%	8%	26%
South Korea	1%	5%	7%	1%	1%
Indonesia	0%	5%	0%	0%	0%
United Kingdom	0%	0%	0%	1%	70%
Other	5%	9%	0%	3%	3%
Grand Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 3: Value by Product, 2019

	2018	2019	Change YoY ¹
Softwood Lumber	\$6,440	\$4,783	-26%
Pulp	\$4,232	\$3,294	-22%
Paper	\$1,066	\$943	-12%
Logs	\$741	\$661	-11%
Other Wood	\$2,416	\$2,228	-8%
Grand Total	\$14,895	\$11,910	-20%

Table 6: Quantity by Product, 2019

	2018	2019	Change YoY ¹
Softwood Lumber ('000 m ³)	24,002	20,274	-16%
Pulp ('000 tonnes)	4,080	4,073	0%
Logs ('000 m ³)	5,120	4,841	-5%

*China includes exports to Hong Kong.

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

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3. Includes paper products such as Paper, Cards, Cartons, Rolls, Trays, Containers and Sacks & Bags, etc.

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

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Export Values by Product and Destination

Figure 1: Total Export Value

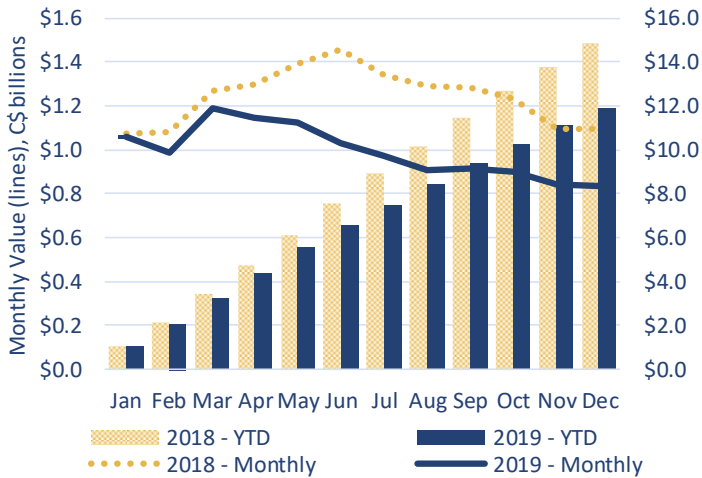


Figure 2: Total Export Value - 12 Month Moving Sum

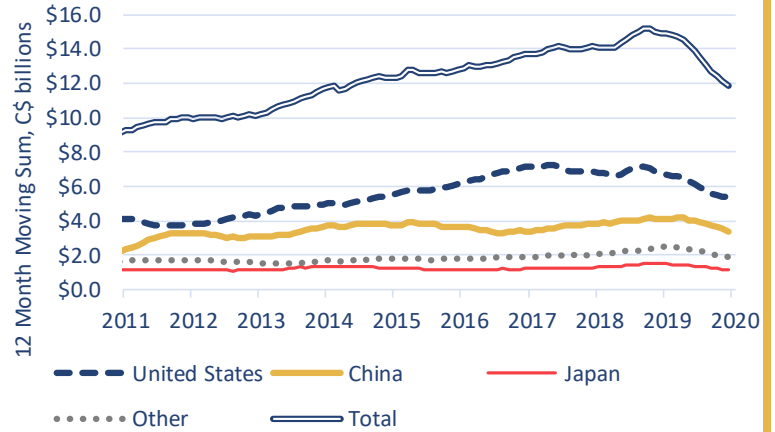


Figure 3: Softwood Lumber Export Value

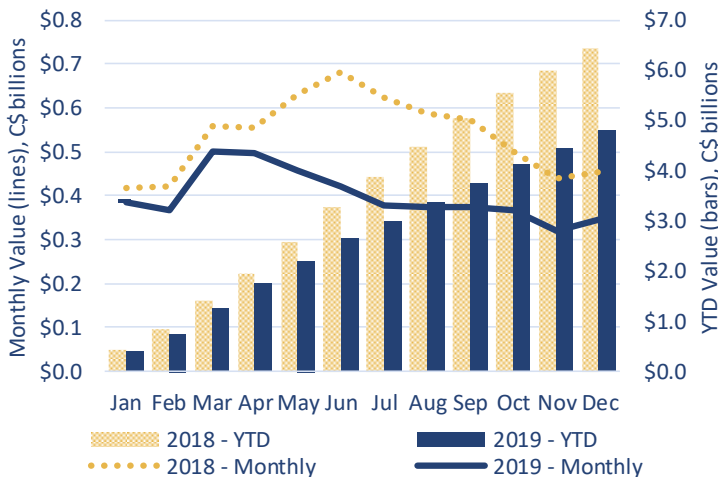


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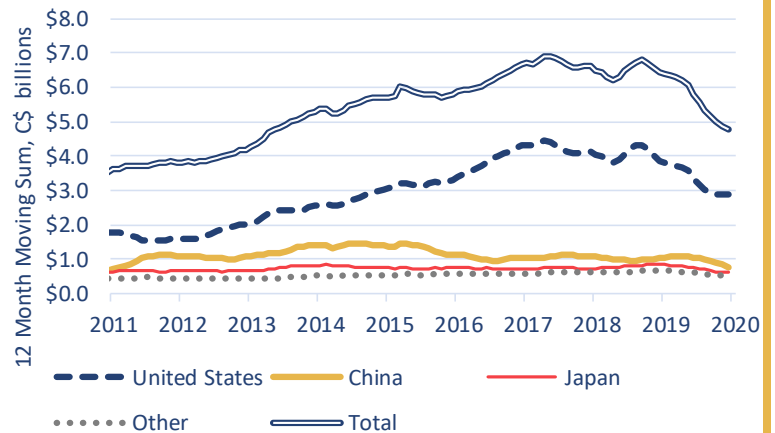


Figure 5: Pulp Export Value

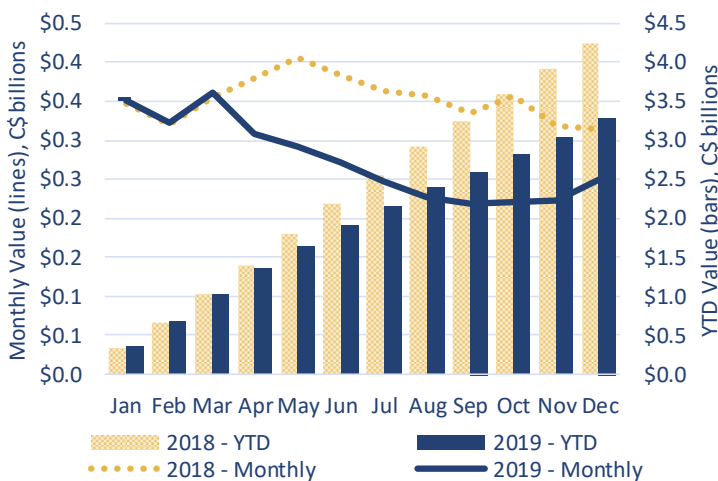
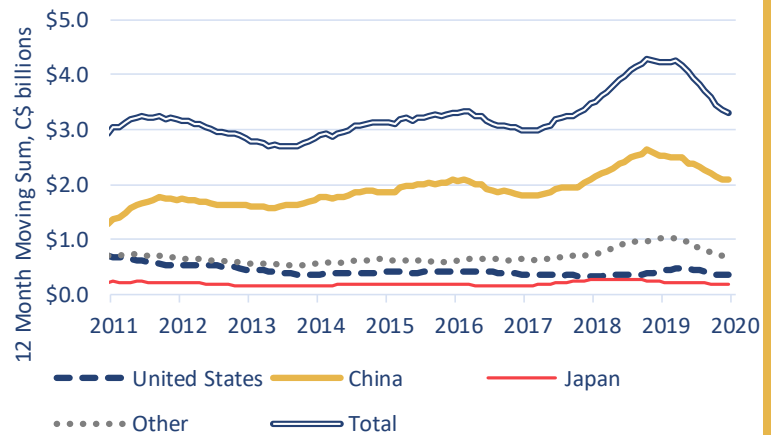


Figure 6: Pulp Export Value - 12 Month Moving Sum



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Export Values by Product and Destination

Figure 7: Paper Export Value

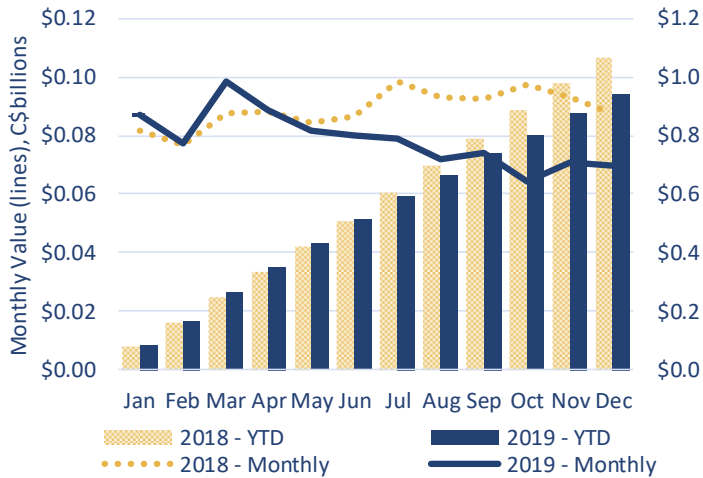


Figure 8: Paper Export Value - 12 Month Moving Sum

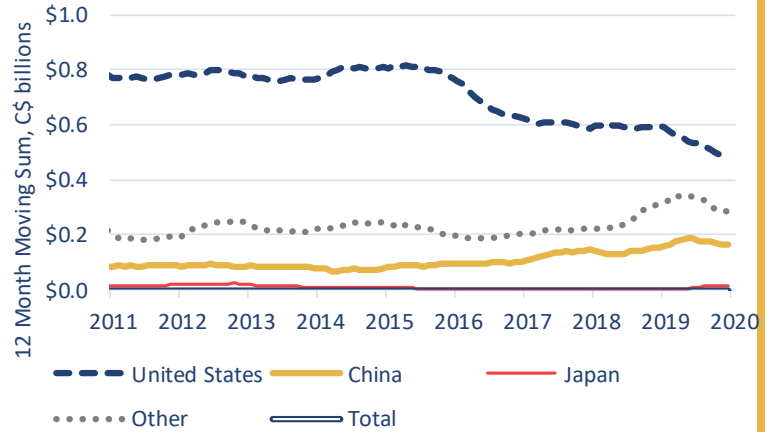


Figure 9: Logs Export Value

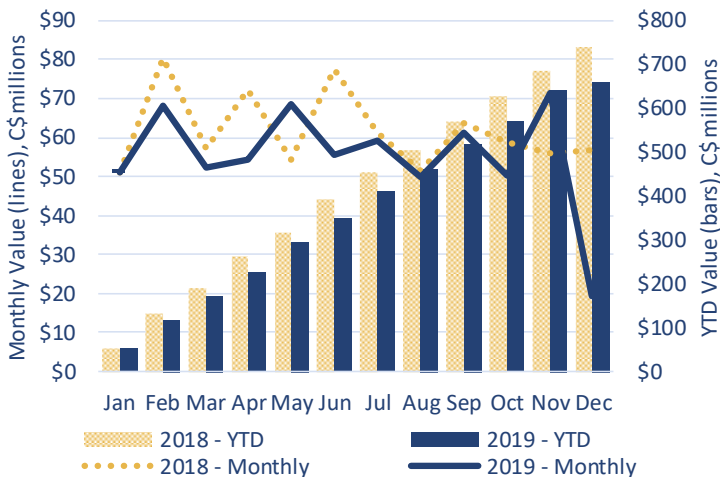


Figure 10: Log Export Value - 12 Month Moving Sum

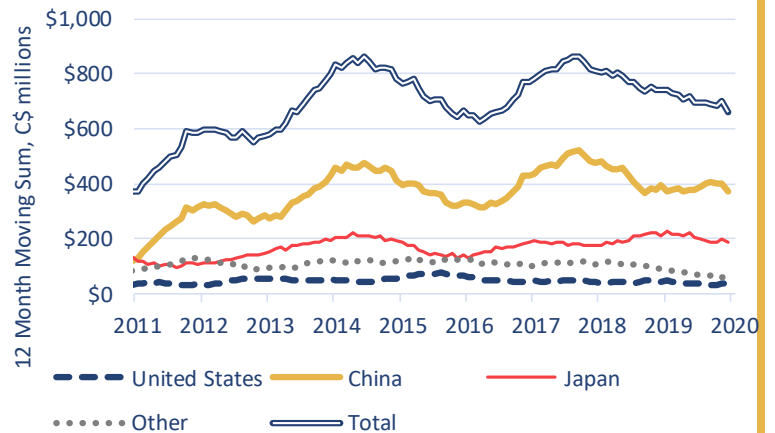


Figure 11: Other Wood Export Value

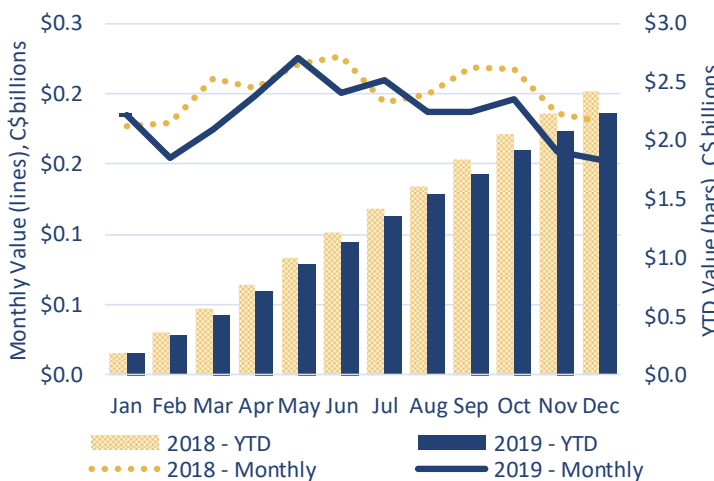
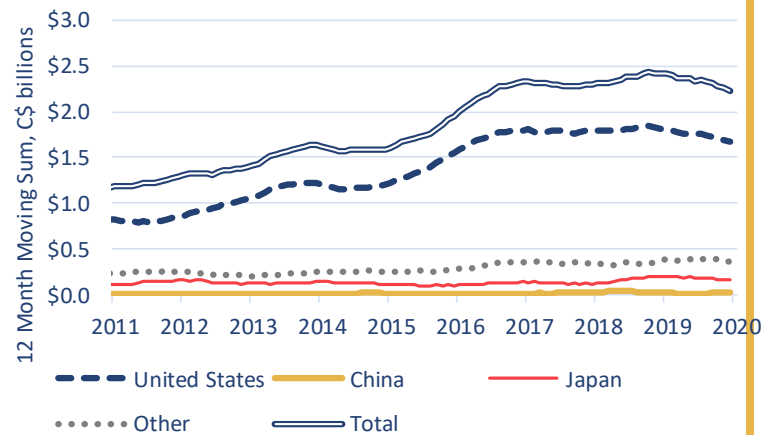


Figure 12: Other Wood Export Value - 12 Month Moving Sum



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Table 7: Value in C\$ Millions, Month of December 2019

Month of December 2019								Change Total YoY	Month of December 2018							
Softwood Lumber	Pulp	Paper ²	Logs	Other Wood ¹	Country Total	Country Share	Softwood Lumber		Pulp	Paper ²	Logs	Other Wood ¹	Country Total	Country Share		
United States	\$228	\$41	\$32	\$5	\$115	\$422	50%	-6%	United States	\$230	\$46	\$49	\$0	\$124	\$449	41%
China*	\$36	\$159	\$12	\$11	\$2	\$220	26%	-33%	China*	\$113	\$161	\$13	\$41	\$2	\$330	30%
Japan	\$45	\$12	\$1	\$1	\$11	\$70	8%	-19%	Japan	\$50	\$18	\$0	\$11	\$8	\$87	8%
Other	\$35	\$38	\$25	\$2	\$24	\$123	15%	-45%	Other	\$60	\$88	\$26	\$4	\$47	\$225	21%
Grand Total	\$344	\$250	\$70	\$19	\$153	\$835	100%	-23%	Grand Total	\$453	\$314	\$87	\$57	\$181	\$1,092	100%
Product Share	41%	30%	8%	2%	18%	100%			Product Share	41%	29%	8%	5%	17%	100%	
Change YoY	-24%	-20%	-20%	-66%	-16%	-23%										

Table 8: Value in C\$ Millions, 2019

2019								Change Total YoY	2018							
Softwood Lumber	Pulp	Paper ²	Logs	Other Wood ¹	Country Total	Country Share	Softwood Lumber		Pulp	Paper ²	Logs	Other Wood ¹	Country Total	Country Share		
United States	\$2,884	\$352	\$475	\$40	\$1,676	\$5,428	46%	-20%	United States	\$3,883	\$424	\$596	\$44	\$1,817	\$6,765	45%
China*	\$773	\$2,091	\$164	\$372	\$24	\$3,425	29%	-17%	China*	\$1,033	\$2,535	\$154	\$394	\$27	\$4,144	28%
Japan	\$631	\$192	\$17	\$191	\$164	\$1,195	10%	-21%	Japan	\$845	\$254	\$1	\$211	\$196	\$1,507	10%
Other	\$494	\$659	\$287	\$58	\$364	\$1,862	16%	-25%	Other	\$679	\$1,019	\$314	\$91	\$376	\$2,479	17%
Grand Total	\$4,783	\$3,294	\$943	\$661	\$2,228	\$11,910	100%	-20%	Grand Total	\$6,440	\$4,232	\$1,066	\$741	\$2,416	\$14,895	100%
Product Share	40%	28%	8%	6%	19%	100%			Product Share	43%	28%	7%	5%	16%	100%	
Change YoY	-26%	-22%	-12%	-11%	-8%	-20%										

Table 9: Quantity in Thousands, Month of December 2019

Month of December 2019			Change YoY			Month of December 2018				
Softwood Lumber (m ³)	Pulp (tonnes)	Logs (m ³)	Softwood Lumber	Pulp	Logs	Softwood Lumber (m ³)	Pulp (tonnes)	Logs (m ³)		
United States	1,027	50	43	-6%	10%	1946%	United States	1,087	45	2
China*	222	227	82	-60%	38%	-72%	China*	553	164	294
Japan	126	17	8	10%	-4%	-89%	Japan	114	18	72
Other	87	56	14	-32%	-30%	-50%	Other	127	79	28
Grand Total	1,462	350	147	-22%	14%	-63%	Grand Total	1,881	307	397

Table 10: Quantity in Thousands, 2019

2019			Change YoY			2018				
Softwood Lumber (m ³)	Pulp (tonnes)	Logs (m ³)	Softwood Lumber	Pulp	Logs	Softwood Lumber (m ³)	Pulp (tonnes)	Logs (m ³)		
United States	13,084	402	391	-15%	-9%	21%	United States	15,479	441	324
China*	4,356	2,651	2,949	-12%	9%	-2%	China*	4,962	2,431	2,996
Japan	1,681	239	1,143	-16%	-2%	-10%	Japan	1,991	244	1,269
Other	1,153	781	357	-27%	-19%	-33%	Other	1,570	964	530
Grand Total	20,274	4,073	4,841	-16%	0%	-5%	Grand Total	24,002	4,080	5,120

*China includes exports to Hong Kong.

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Table 11: B.C. Forest Product Export Value in C\$ by Market, 2009 to 2019

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019 YTD
United States	\$4,017	\$4,125	\$3,825	\$4,344	\$4,973	\$5,533	\$6,132	\$7,141	\$6,928	\$6,765	\$5,428
China*	\$1,253	\$2,205	\$3,252	\$3,107	\$3,662	\$3,769	\$3,673	\$3,411	\$3,852	\$4,144	\$3,425
Japan	\$933	\$1,136	\$1,178	\$1,135	\$1,343	\$1,278	\$1,193	\$1,230	\$1,307	\$1,507	\$1,195
Other	\$1,400	\$1,677	\$1,729	\$1,574	\$1,676	\$1,788	\$1,774	\$1,919	\$2,074	\$2,479	\$1,863
Grand Total	\$7,602	\$9,143	\$9,985	\$10,159	\$11,654	\$12,367	\$12,772	\$13,701	\$14,162	\$14,895	\$11,910

Table 12: B.C. Forest Product Export Value in C\$ by Product, 2009 to 2019

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019 YTD
Softwood Lumber	\$2,749	\$3,558	\$3,833	\$4,204	\$5,311	\$5,723	\$5,792	\$6,669	\$6,624	\$6,440	\$4,783
Pulp	\$2,056	\$2,939	\$3,200	\$2,852	\$2,831	\$3,121	\$3,301	\$2,998	\$3,466	\$4,232	\$3,294
Paper	\$1,419	\$1,098	\$1,079	\$1,132	\$1,077	\$1,144	\$1,066	\$937	\$958	\$1,066	\$943
Logs	\$249	\$373	\$588	\$577	\$802	\$784	\$665	\$771	\$810	\$741	\$661
Other Wood	\$1,129	\$1,175	\$1,284	\$1,394	\$1,633	\$1,594	\$1,948	\$2,325	\$2,304	\$2,416	\$2,228
Grand Total	\$7,602	\$9,143	\$9,985	\$10,159	\$11,654	\$12,367	\$12,772	\$13,701	\$14,162	\$14,895	\$11,910

Table 13: B.C. Forest Product Export Quantity in Millions by Product, 2009 to 2019

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019 YTD
Softwood Lumber (m ³)	17.82	20.85	22.84	24.16	25.88	25.84	26.20	27.67	25.27	24.00	20.27
Pulp (tonnes)	3.29	3.79	4.10	4.45	4.15	4.14	4.27	4.07	4.32	4.08	4.07
Logs (m ³)	2.46	3.74	5.45	5.71	6.67	6.27	5.57	6.28	6.02	5.12	4.84
Panel ⁴ (m ³)	1.22	1.05	1.56	1.54	1.63	1.48	1.74	2.05	2.16	2.14	1.66
Pellet (tonnes)	0.76	1.06	1.22	1.17	1.28	1.29	1.26	1.93	1.78	2.27	2.14

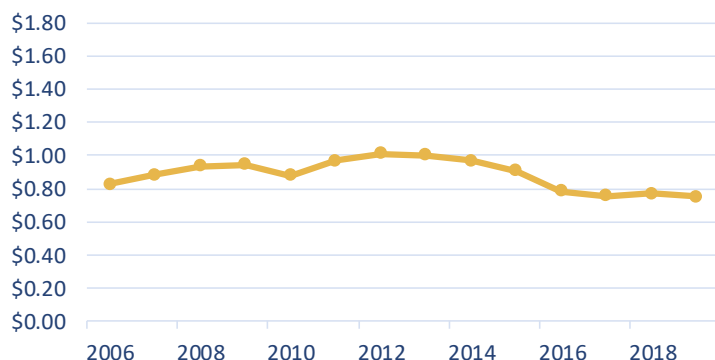
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Figure 13: Exchange Rate US\$/C\$



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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

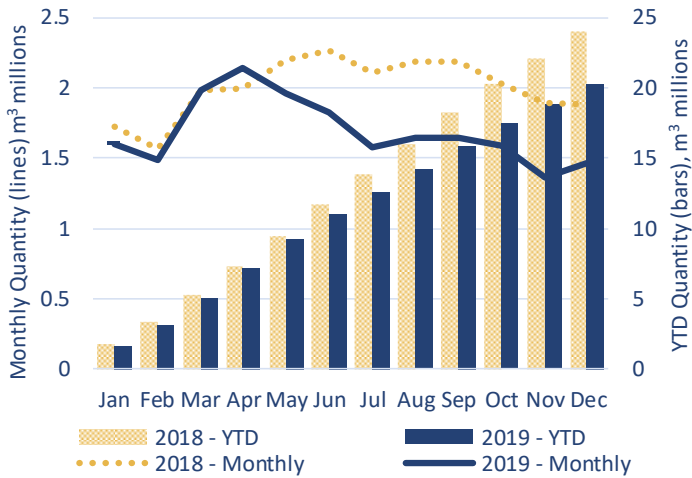


Figure 15: Softwood Lumber Export Quantity - 12 Month Moving Sum

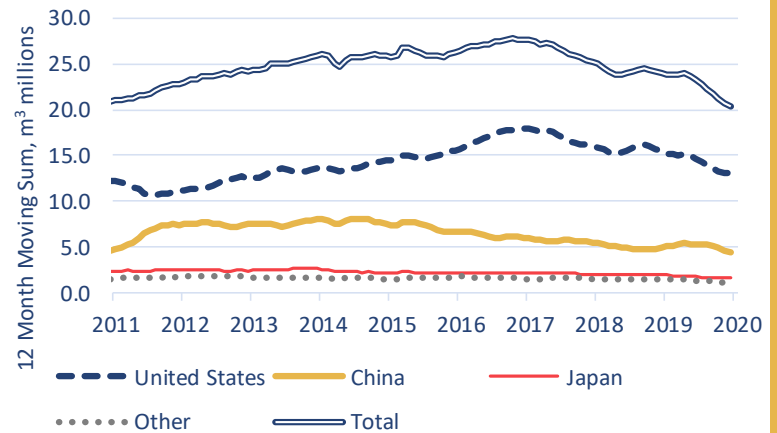


Figure 16: Pulp Export Quantity

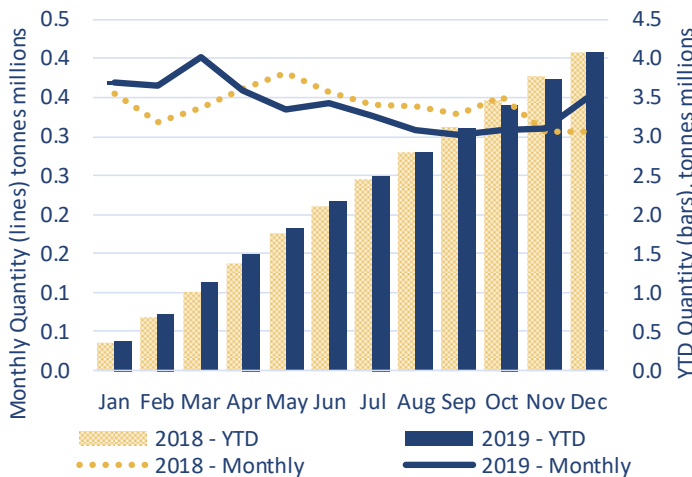


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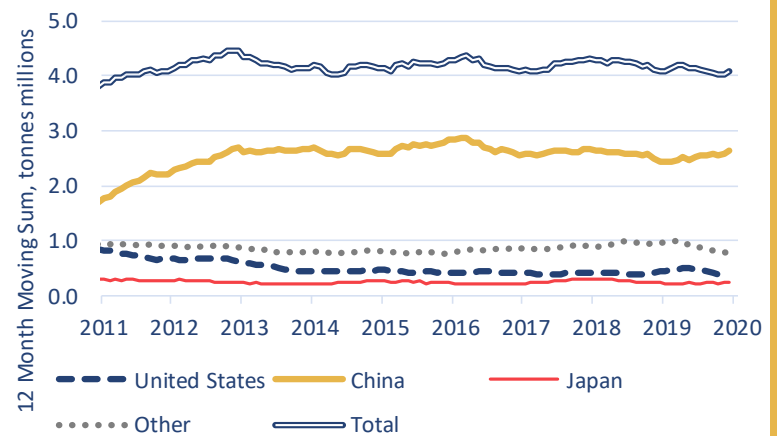


Figure 18: Logs Export Quantity

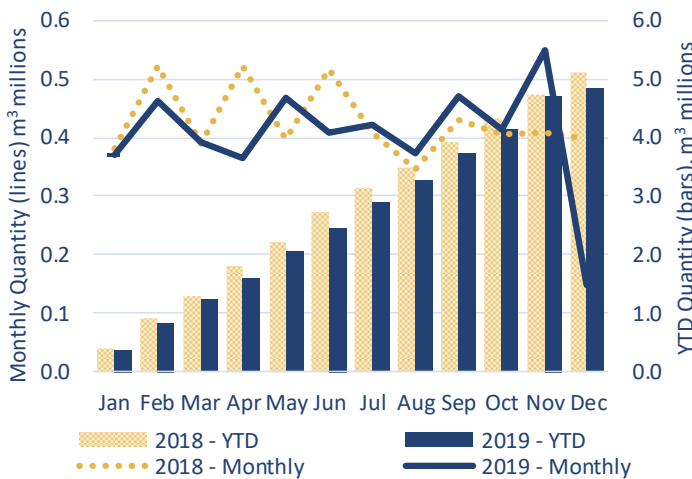
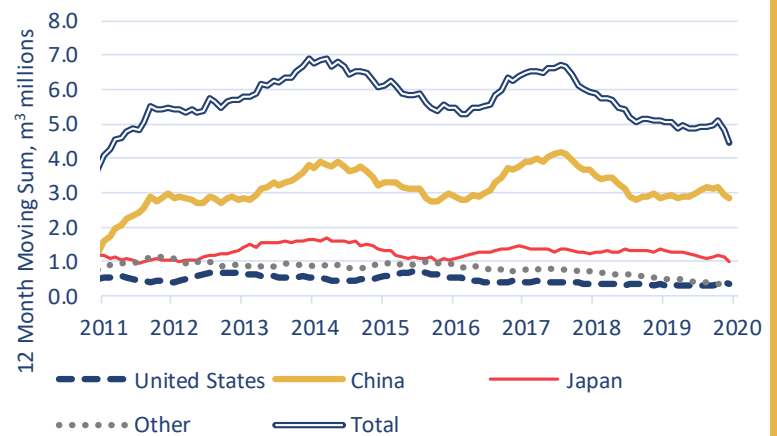


Figure 19: Log Export Quantity - 12 Month Moving Sum



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