

This report provides an overview of British Columbia's forest product exports and markets. In 2022, forest product exports made up 24% of B.C.'s total commodity export value.

Starting with the March report in 2023, Macau is included in the exports to China. The historical export data from 2013 to 2022 has also been updated.

Table 1: Value by Product, YTD September 2023

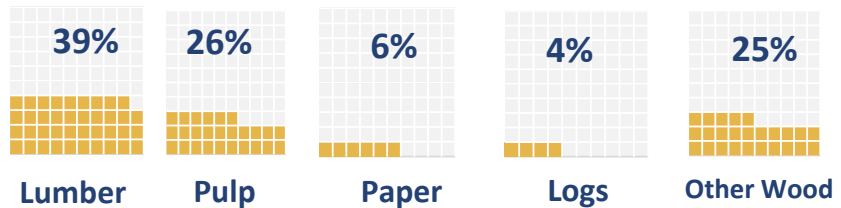


Table 2: Value by Country, YTD September 2023

	Share of Value			
	Value (\$M)	Change YoY ¹	September 2022	September 2023
US	\$5,111	-34%	62%	59%
China*	\$1,848	-11%	17%	21%
Japan	\$763	-35%	9%	9%
Others	\$879	-39%	12%	10%
Grand Total	\$8,601	-31%	100%	100%

Table 3: Value in \$ Millions by Product, YTD September 2023

	2022	2023	Change YoY ¹
Softwood Lumber	\$6,129	\$3,374	-45%
Pulp	\$2,689	\$2,261	-16%
Paper	\$656	\$522	-20%
Logs	\$375	\$329	-12%
Other Wood Products	\$2,617	\$2,115	-19%
Grand Total	\$12,466	\$8,601	-31%

Table 4: Share of Value, YTD September 2023

	Softwood Lumber	Pulp	Paper ²	Logs	Other Wood ³	Grand Total
US	77%	14%	84%	11%	82%	59%
China*	6%	65%	4%	41%	0%	21%
Japan	8%	5%	0%	38%	12%	9%
Others	9%	16%	12%	9%	5%	10%
Grand Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

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

All values are in Canadian Dollars unless specified otherwise.

Table 5: Share of Quantity, YTD September 2023

	Softwood Lumber	Pulp	Logs	Panel ⁴	Pellet
United States	78%	14%	19%	97%	0%
China*	11%	66%	47%	0%	0%
Japan	6%	5%	28%	1%	81%
South Korea	0%	3%	6%	1%	12%
Indonesia	0%	5%	0%	0%	0%
United Kingdom	0%	0%	0%	1%	7%
Other	5%	7%	1%	0%	0%
Grand Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Table 6: Quantity by Product, YTD September 2023

	2022	2023	Change YoY ¹
Softwood Lumber (x1,000 m ³)	13,120	10,694	-18%
Pulp (x1,000 tonnes)	2,569	2,310	-10%
Logs (x1,000 m ³)	2,012	1,975	-2%

Data Source: B.C. Stats tabulation from Statistics Canada data

Figure 1: Total Export Value

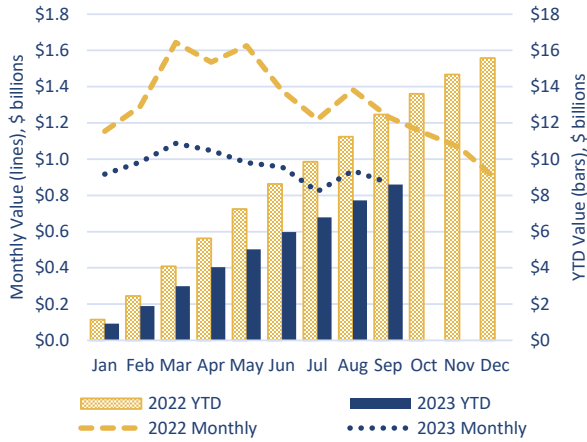


Figure 2: Total Export Value - 12-Month Moving Sum

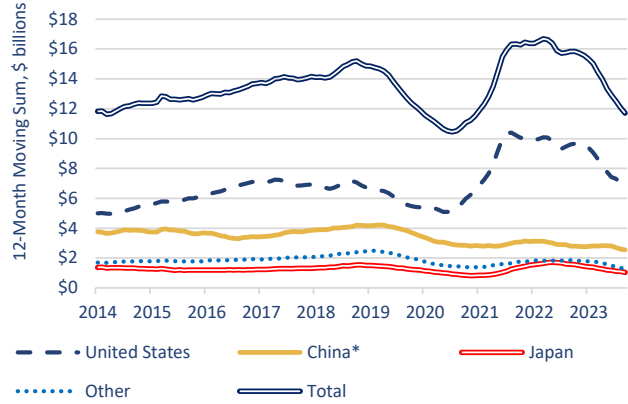


Figure 3: Softwood Lumber Export Value

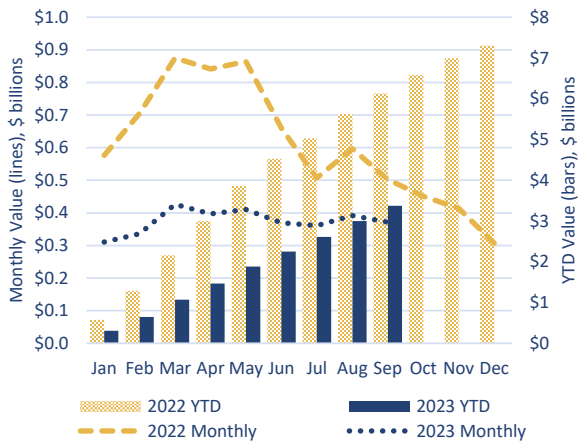


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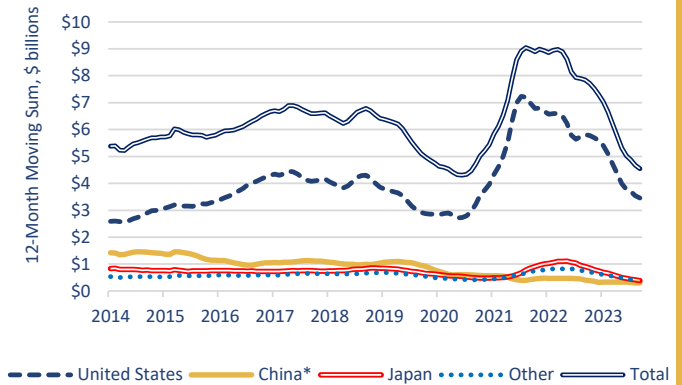


Figure 5: Pulp Export Value

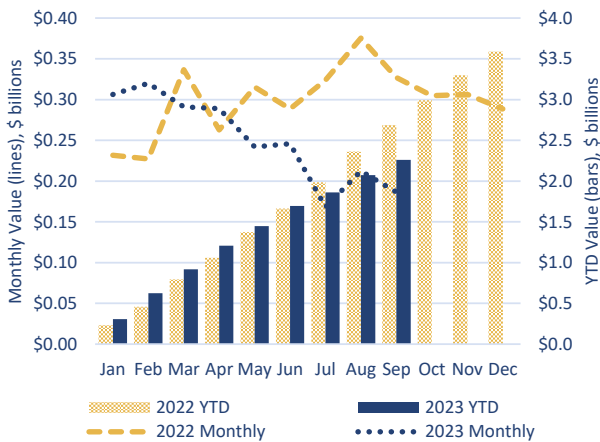
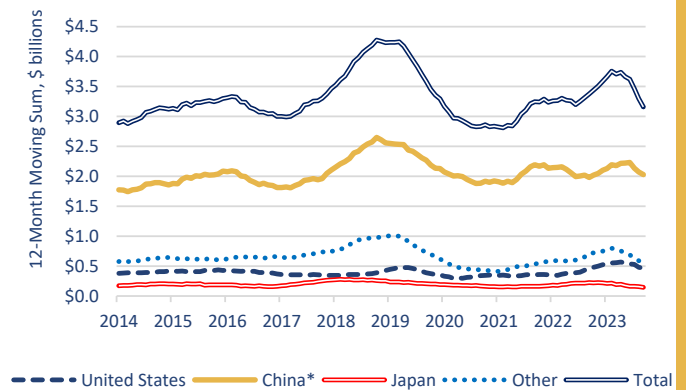


Figure 6: Pulp Export Value - 12-Month Moving Sum



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Figure 7: Paper Export Value

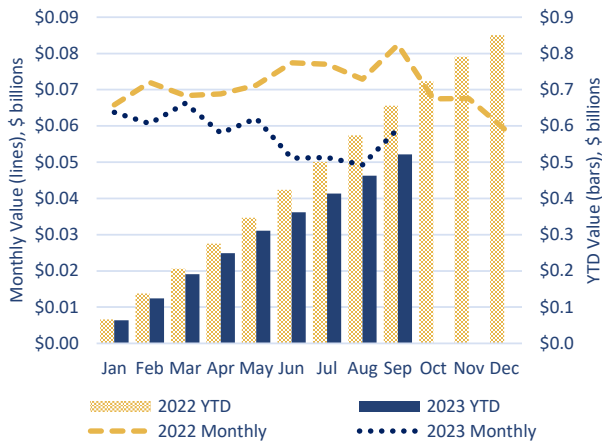


Figure 8: Paper Export Value - 12-Month Moving Sum

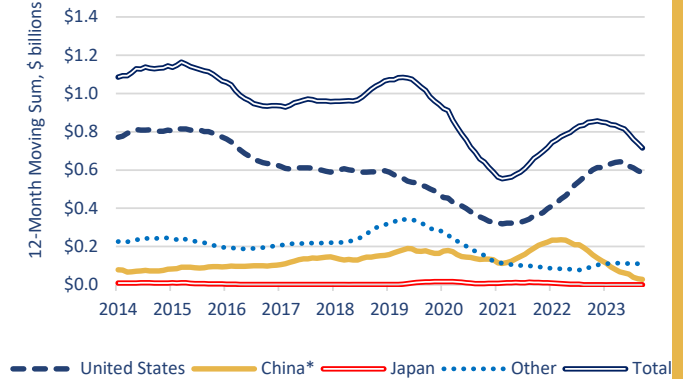


Figure 9: Logs Export Value

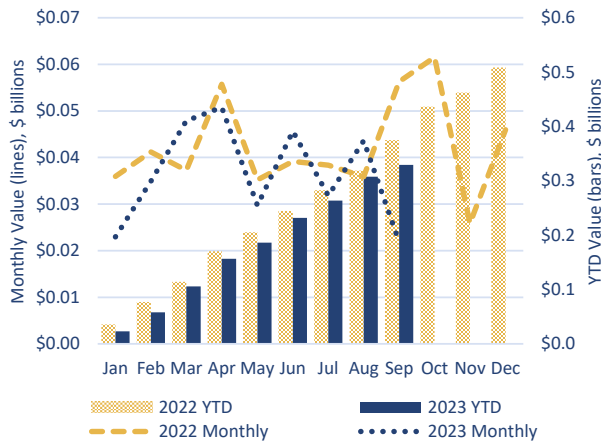


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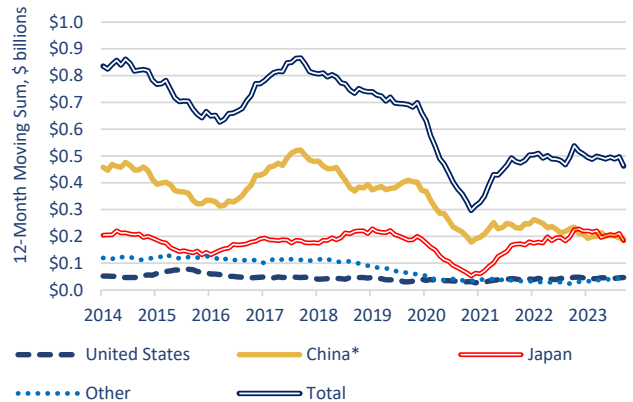


Figure 11: Other Wood Products Export Value

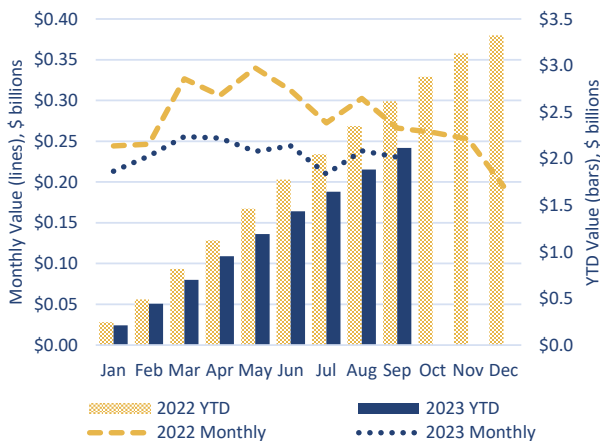
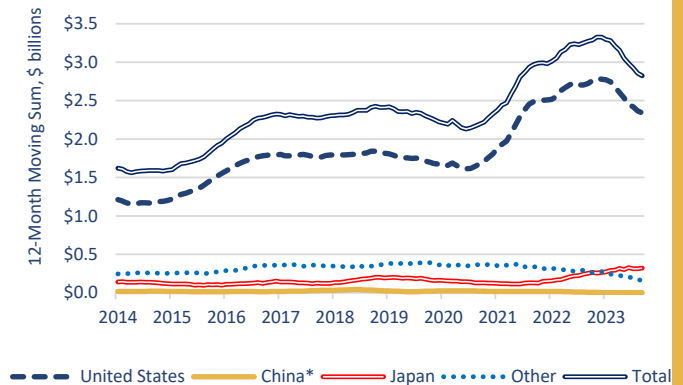


Figure 12: Other Wood Export Value - 12-Month Moving Sum



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Table 7: Value in \$ Millions, September 2023

	September 2023								September 2022							
	Softwood Lumber	Pulp	Paper ²	Logs	Other Wood ³	Country Total	Country Share	Change YoY ¹	Softwood Lumber	Pulp	Paper ²	Logs	Other Wood ³	Country Total	Country Share	
US	\$287	\$34	\$50	\$4	\$192	\$567	65%	-20%	\$373	\$51	\$61	\$3	\$218	\$705	57%	
China*	\$20	\$106	\$2	\$17	\$1	\$147	17%	-29%	\$25	\$152	\$6	\$24	\$0	\$208	17%	
Japan	\$33	\$12	\$0	\$0	\$31	\$77	9%	-45%	\$62	\$25	\$0	\$28	\$24	\$138	11%	
Others	\$31	\$34	\$7	\$0	\$7	\$79	9%	-56%	\$42	\$99	\$15	\$2	\$24	\$182	15%	
Grand Total	\$372	\$187	\$59	\$22	\$230	\$870	100%	-29%	\$502	\$327	\$82	\$56	\$266	\$1,234	100%	
Product Share	43%	21%	7%	3%	26%	100%										
Change YoY	-26%	-43%	-28%	-61%	-13%	-29%										

Table 8: Value in \$ Millions, YTD September 2023

	YTD September 2023								YTD September 2022							
	Softwood Lumber	Pulp	Paper ²	Logs	Other Wood ³	Country Total	Country Share	Change YoY ¹	Softwood Lumber	Pulp	Paper ²	Logs	Other Wood ³	Country Total	Country Share	
US	\$2,582	\$311	\$436	\$38	\$1,745	\$5,111	59%	-34%	\$4,720	\$371	\$464	\$36	\$2,183	\$7,774	62%	
China*	\$214	\$1,475	\$20	\$136	\$3	\$1,848	21%	-11%	\$241	\$1,545	\$117	\$158	\$4	\$2,066	17%	
Japan	\$267	\$113	\$1	\$126	\$256	\$763	9%	-35%	\$628	\$186	\$0	\$162	\$201	\$1,178	9%	
Others	\$312	\$362	\$65	\$29	\$112	\$879	10%	-39%	\$540	\$586	\$75	\$19	\$230	\$1,448	12%	
Grand Total	\$3,374	\$2,261	\$522	\$329	\$2,115	\$8,601	100%	-31%	\$6,129	\$2,689	\$656	\$375	\$2,617	\$12,466	100%	
Product Share	39%	26%	6%	4%	25%	100%										
Change YoY	-45%	-16%	-20%	-12%	-19%	-31%										

Table 9: Quantity in Thousands, September 2023

	September 2023			Change YoY ¹			September 2022			
	Softwood Lumber (m ³)	Pulp (tonnes)	Logs (m ³)	Lumber	Pulp	Logs	Softwood Lumber (m ³)	Pulp (tonnes)	Logs (m ³)	
US	927	49	38	-15%	2%	100%	US	1,094	47	19
China*	118	127	136	9%	-5%	-11%	China*	108	134	153
Japan	78	13	0	-15%	-33%	-100%	Japan	92	20	99
Others	62	40	3	22%	-49%	-65%	Others	51	80	8
Grand Total	1,185	229	177	-12%	-18%	-36%	Grand Total	1,345	280	279

Table 10: Quantity in Thousands, YTD September 2023

	September 2023			Change YoY ¹			September 2022			
	Softwood Lumber (m ³)	Pulp (tonnes)	Logs (m ³)	Lumber	Pulp	Logs	Softwood Lumber (m ³)	Pulp (tonnes)	Logs (m ³)	
US	8,338	335	367	-22%	-10%	15%	US	10,626	373	318
China*	1,137	1,517	921	26%	1%	2%	China*	904	1,497	898
Japan	589	110	553	-28%	-34%	-20%	Japan	824	167	691
Others	631	348	134	-18%	-34%	28%	Others	765	531	104
Grand Total	10,694	2,310	1,975	-18%	-10%	-2%	Grand Total	13,120	2,569	2,012

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Table 11: B.C. Forest Product Export Value in \$ by Market, YTD September 2023

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023 YTD
US	\$4,973	\$5,533	\$6,132	\$7,141	\$6,928	\$6,739	\$5,400	\$6,465	\$9,985	\$9,558	\$5,111
China*	\$3,662	\$3,769	\$3,673	\$3,411	\$3,852	\$4,166	\$3,464	\$2,831	\$3,100	\$2,763	\$1,848
Japan	\$1,343	\$1,278	\$1,193	\$1,230	\$1,307	\$1,507	\$1,195	\$831	\$1,518	\$1,448	\$763
Others	\$1,676	\$1,788	\$1,774	\$1,919	\$2,074	\$2,457	\$1,824	\$1,383	\$1,778	\$1,805	\$879
Grand Total	\$11,654	\$12,367	\$12,772	\$13,701	\$14,162	\$14,869	\$11,883	\$11,510	\$16,380	\$15,574	\$8,601

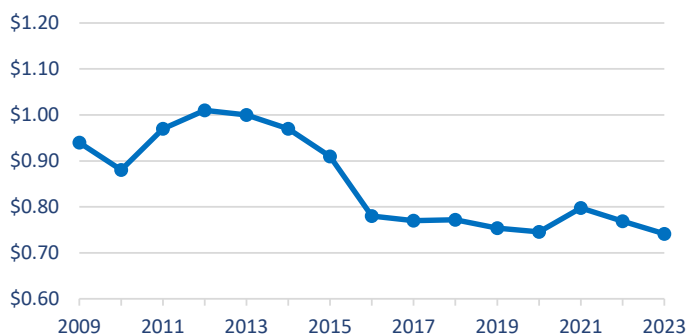
Table 12: B.C. Forest Product Export Value in \$ by Product, YTD September 2023

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023 YTD
Lumber	\$5,311	\$5,723	\$5,792	\$6,669	\$6,624	\$6,417	\$4,758	\$5,441	\$8,940	\$7,301	\$3,374
Pulp	\$2,831	\$3,121	\$3,301	\$2,998	\$3,466	\$4,232	\$3,294	\$2,835	\$3,238	\$3,588	\$2,261
Paper ²	\$1,077	\$1,144	\$1,066	\$937	\$958	\$1,066	\$943	\$590	\$717	\$850	\$522
Other Wood ³	\$1,633	\$1,594	\$1,948	\$2,325	\$2,304	\$2,413	\$2,226	\$2,330	\$2,982	\$3,326	\$2,115
Logs	\$802	\$784	\$665	\$771	\$810	\$741	\$662	\$314	\$503	\$508	\$329
Grand Total	\$11,654	\$12,367	\$12,772	\$13,701	\$14,162	\$14,869	\$11,883	\$11,510	\$16,380	\$15,574	\$8,601

Table 13: B.C. Forest Product Export Quantity in Millions by Product, YTD September 2023

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023 YTD
Lumber (m ³)	25.88	25.84	26.20	27.67	25.27	23.90	20.15	18.28	18.90	16.56	10.69
Pulp (tonnes)	4.15	4.14	4.27	4.07	4.32	4.08	4.07	3.85	3.48	3.35	2.31
Logs (m ³)	6.67	6.27	5.57	6.28	6.02	5.12	4.84	2.69	3.28	2.66	1.97
Panel ⁴ (m ³)	1.67	1.52	1.78	2.14	2.23	2.11	1.68	1.22	1.27	1.41	0.92
Pellet (tonnes)	1.28	1.29	1.26	1.93	1.78	2.27	2.14	2.37	2.37	2.53	1.72

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



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Figure 14: Softwood Lumber Export Quantity

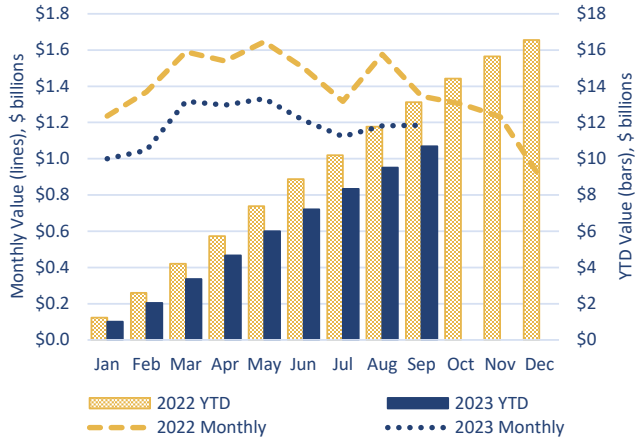


Figure 15: Softwood Lumber Export Quantity - 12-Month Moving Sum

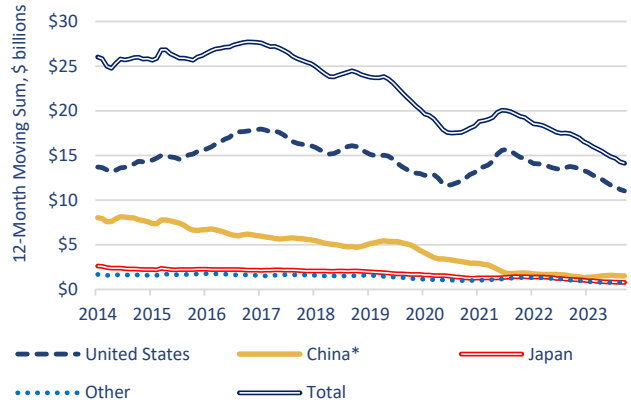


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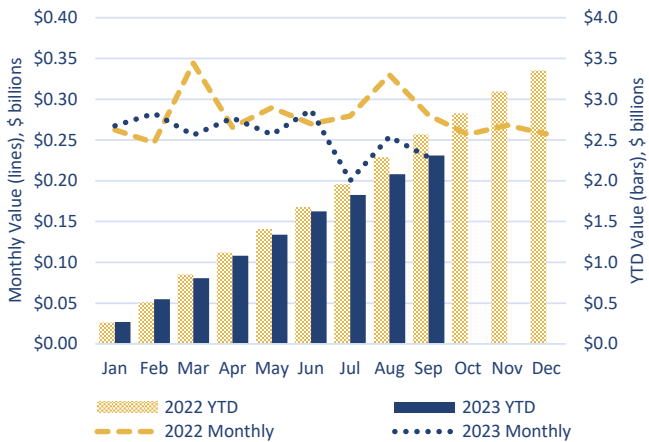


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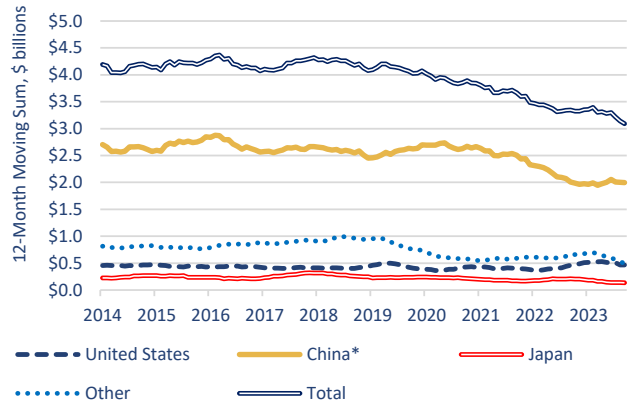


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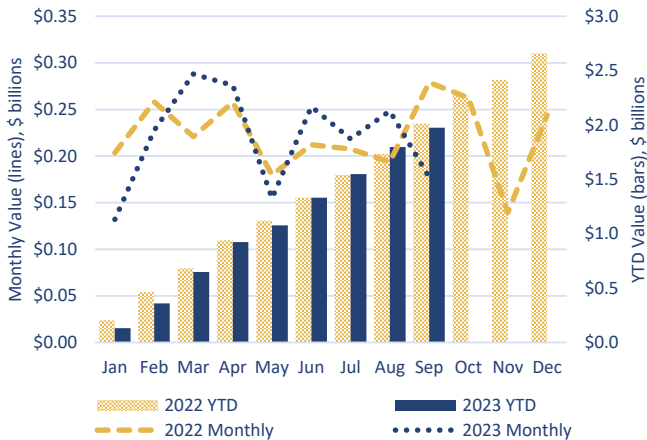
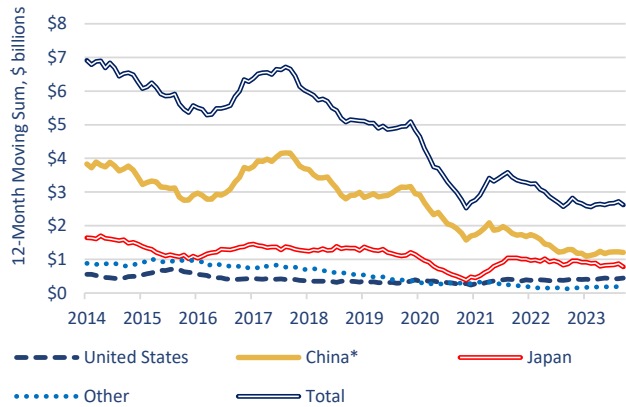


Figure 19: Log Export Quantity - 12-Month Moving Sum



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