

# **PONDEROSA PINE HARVEST AND UTILIZATION IN THE WESTERN UNITED STATES**

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**Table 1. Ponderosa pine harvest by volume and as percent of total harvest, by state (2023)**

	Ponderosa pine harvest (MBF, Scribner)	Ponderosa pine harvest as percent of total harvest
Alaska	0	0%
Arizona	49,125	86%
California	311,174	23%
Colorado	19,500	16%
Idaho	113,744	12%
Montana	25,053	10%
Nevada	4,028	23%
New Mexico	9,757	66%
Oregon	135,253	4%
Utah	1,408	6%
Washington	92,112	4%
Wyoming	10,022	26%
<b>West total</b>	<b>771,175</b>	<b>9%</b>

**Table 2. Ponderosa pine harvest by ownership, as percent of total harvest, by state<sup>1</sup> (2023)**

	Forest Service	Industrial private	Other Private <sup>2</sup>	Other Public <sup>3</sup>
Arizona	80%	0%	12%	8%
California	12%	82%	3%	3%
Colorado	54%	0%	42%	4%
Idaho	21%	23%	17%	40%
Montana	41%	2%	20%	37%
New Mexico	43%	0%	57%	0%
Oregon	36%	47%	12%	5%
Utah	93%	0%	7%	0%
Washington	11%	15%	64%	10%
Wyoming	27%	0%	52%	21%
<b>West total</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>47%</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>11%</b>

<sup>1</sup> No ponderosa pine was harvested in Alaska in 2023; ownership breakdown of Nevada's ponderosa pine harvest is not available.

<sup>2</sup> Includes non-industrial private and Tribal ownerships.

<sup>3</sup> Includes BLM and state ownerships.



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**Table 3. Ponderosa pine harvest by live/dead, as percent of total harvest, by state<sup>1</sup> (2023)**

	Percent live	Percent dead
Arizona	74%	26%
California	32%	68%
Colorado	89%	11%
Idaho	99%	1%
Montana	93%	7%
Nevada	30%	70%
New Mexico	97%	3%
Oregon	91%	9%
Utah	87%	13%
Washington	84%	16%
Wyoming	96%	4%
<b>West total</b>	<b>66%</b>	<b>34%</b>

<sup>1</sup> No ponderosa pine was harvested in Alaska in 2023.

**Table 4. Ponderosa pine harvest by timber product type, by state<sup>1</sup> (2023)**

	Arizona	California	Colorado	Idaho	Montana	New Mexico	Oregon	Utah	Washington	Wyoming	West total
Sawlogs	74%	93%	83%	96%	77%	65%	86%	99%	97%	100%	91%
Veneer logs	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	13%	0%	1%	0%	3%
House/viga logs	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	21%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%
Posts/poles	2%	0%	5%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Fiber logs	0%	1%	0%	0%	14%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%
Pulpwood logs	1%	0%	0%	3%	8%	0%	1%	0%	2%	0%	1%
Firewood	14%	0%	1%	0%	0%	8%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%
Energywood logs	9%	0%	10%	0%	0%	6%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%
Energywood/fiber logs chipped in the woods	0%	5%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%
<b>Total harvest</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>

<sup>1</sup> No ponderosa pine was harvested in Alaska in 2023; timber product type breakdown of Nevada's ponderosa pine harvest is not available.



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**Table 5. Ponderosa pine product types, by state<sup>1</sup> (2023)**

Output type	Arizona	California	Colorado	Idaho	Montana	New Mexico	Oregon	Utah	Washington	Wyoming	West total
<b>Sawn products</b>	<b>63%</b>	<b>71%</b>	<b>68%</b>	<b>72%</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>68%</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>80%</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>70%</b>	<b>66%</b>
<i>Dimension and stud lumber</i>	44%	29%	32%	36%	25%	28%	15%	20%	27%	30%	31%
<i>Board/shop lumber</i>	0%	25%	18%	26%	13%	10%	25%	20%	18%	20%	20%
<i>Timbers/cants/ railroad ties</i>	13%	11%	11%	6%	6%	25%	0%	40%	0%	20%	10%
<i>Moulding/siding/ trim</i>	0%	4%	7%	2%	6%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%
<i>Pallets/other sawn products</i>	6%	4%	0%	2%	0%	5%	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%
<b>Roundwood products</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>31%</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>19%</b>
<i>Utility/non-utility poles</i>	6%	0%	0%	6%	6%	0%	0%	0%	0%	10%	3%
<i>Fence posts</i>	0%	0%	0%	6%	6%	0%	0%	0%	0%	10%	3%
<i>Log furniture/railings/ other roundwood prod.</i>	0%	0%	7%	8%	6%	3%	0%	0%	0%	0%	5%
<i>House logs</i>	6%	4%	11%	8%	13%	0%	0%	20%	0%	0%	6%
<i>Vigas/latillas</i>	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	15%	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%
<b>Plywood/veneer</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>4%</b>
<b>Chipped material</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>36%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>10%</b>
<i>MDF</i>	0%	0%	0%	0%	6%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
<i>Clean chips/excelsior</i>	0%	0%	4%	1%	6%	0%	10%	0%	36%	0%	3%
<i>Wood pellets/other energy products</i>	6%	0%	4%	0%	6%	5%	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%
<i>Firewood</i>	13%	4%	7%	0%	0%	10%	0%	0%	0%	10%	4%
<i>Electricity</i>	0%	11%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%
<b>Mulch/animal bedding</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>1%</b>
<b>Other products</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>1%</b>
<b>All outputs</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>

<sup>1</sup> Mills in Alaska did not receive ponderosa pine in 2023; output product type breakdown of volume received by mills in Nevada is not available.



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