

Saskatchewan's Forestry Sector



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has the potential to generate over \$2 billion in forest products sales annually & support nearly 12,000 direct & indirect jobs.

- Over 75% of primary forest products are exported to other countries.
- First Nations and Métis people comprise over 27% of the workforce, by far the largest percentage of Indigenous forestry employees in Canada.

Forestry Resources

- Over half of Saskatchewan is forested, representing 34 million hectares, of which greater than 90% is owned by the province.
- Saskatchewan's Commercial Forest Zone is 12 million hectares, of which over 5 million hectares are classified as productive forest land available for commercial timber harvesting.
- Saskatchewan's Annual Allowable Cut (AAC) is 9.0 million cubic metres of timber (4.7 million softwood tree species and 4.3 million hardwood tree species).
- Significant biomass available from forest products mill wood waste and timber harvesting operations

Forestry Economy

- Forestry is northern Saskatchewan's largest industry.
- Surplus AAC available for new investments.
- Annual forest products sales over \$1 billion and the sector supports nearly 8,000 direct and indirect jobs.
- Full sector development utilizing majority of AAC

Forestry Industry

- Well-established and competitive with leading-edge technology.
- Seven large forest-products manufacturing facilities which produce lumber, pulp and oriented strand board.
- Over 210 small businesses that produce a variety of forest products.
- Well positioned to harvest record levels of timber and produce record levels of forest products as early as 2022.

Competitive Edge

Investment Climate

- Strong government support for development and growth of the forestry sector, including opportunities within the emerging bio-economy and other value-added forest products.
- New investment opportunities are available for underutilized AAC, biomass and secondary manufacturing.



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- Well-established transportation network providing excellent access to North American and offshore markets.
- Well-trained, reliable and productive workforce.
- Results based regulatory environment.

Tax Structure

- Manufacturing and processing tax rate as low as 9.5%.
- Corporate income tax rate of 12%.
- No corporate capital tax.

Timber Royalties

- Saskatchewan has a competitive and market-based timber royalty system.

Bottom Line

- Saskatchewan's forests are sustainably managed and its forestry sector is globally competitive.
- Competitive forest-products manufacturing costs and taxes.
- Significantly underutilized timber resource presents substantial new investment opportunities and increased forest products export potential.

Are you interested in learning more about Saskatchewan's forestry sector?



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