

Mississippi Timber Price Report

3rd Quarter 2022 October 4, 2022



The **Mississippi Timber Price Report** provides a picture of timber market activity showing regional and statewide stumpage prices for common forest products. **This report should only be used as a guide to help individuals monitor timber market trends. The average price should not be applied as fair market value for a specific timber sale because many variables influence actual prices each landowner will receive.** This report and historical timber prices are available by contacting your local county Extension office or at <u>www.extension.msstate.edu/forestry/forest-economics/timber-prices</u>.

How are prices obtained? This report used data from 88 timber sales conducted and reported across Mississippi during 3rd quarter 2022. Reporters include forest product companies, logging contractors, consulting foresters, landowners, and other natural resource professionals.

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Price Trends

The 3rd quarter statewide stumpage prices for pine products are in Table 1 and hardwood products are in Table 2. Figures reflect 10-year statewide average price trends. Compared to the 2nd quarter, statewide average prices decreased for all major product classes (-31.0% to -6.1%) during the 3rd quarter. Year-over-year stumpage prices decreased for all product classes as well. Prices varied for product classes across regions due to localized market and weather conditions. Rainfall varied across the state during the 3rd quarter. July saw some regions with above normal rain. August was extremely wet for the southern two-thirds of the state.

Stumpage prices during the 4th quarter are expected to decrease for many reasons. Although diesel fuel prices have decreased, they are still negatively impacting the logging and trucking force. Continued high inflation has led to increased mortgage interest rates resulting in decreased housing starts and building permits across the country. As the housing market continues to decline, the resulting decreased demand for wood products will keep stumpage prices lower until the economy recovers. Unfortunately, increasing inflation rates are expected to last into 2023 before decreasing. Mississippi also continues to have an overabundant supply of standing timber which will impact our stumpage prices. However, companies continue to make progress on mill expansions and new mill construction projects. Many have started production this year and others are set to begin in 2023. In the long run, this added production capacity will benefit landowners within the procurement radius of those mills.

					Pine			
		Pine	Pine	Pine	Chip-n-	Pine	Pine	Pine
Region		Poles	Sawtimber	Plylogs	Saw	T-wood	Pulpwood	Topwood
NW	Low	\$25.00	\$14.50	\$13.00	\$4.50	\$1.00	\$0.25	\$0.25
	Avg.	\$31.12	\$18.95	\$16.88	\$8.39	\$1.00	\$1.11	\$0.78
	High	\$36.00	\$26.00	\$20.00	\$15.00	\$1.00	\$2.00	\$1.00
NE	Low	\$23.00	\$15.00	\$12.00	\$6.00	\$5.00	\$0.25	\$0.50
	Avg.	\$30.20	\$19.47	\$17.18	\$12.09	\$7.11	\$2.32	\$1.50
	High	\$36.00	\$24.00	\$20.00	\$18.77	\$8.00	\$5.00	\$3.00
SW	Low	\$30.00	\$15.00	\$18.00	\$5.50	IND	\$1.50	\$0.50
	Avg.	\$31.50	\$22.37	\$18.75	\$11.69	IND	\$2.71	\$0.88
	High	\$33.00	\$28.00	\$20.00	\$16.56	IND	\$5.25	\$1.00
SE	Low	IND	IND	IND	\$16.00	IND	IND	IND
	Avg.	IND	IND	IND	\$17.00	IND	IND	IND
	High	IND	IND	IND	\$18.00	IND	IND	IND
	Low	\$23.00	\$14.50	\$12.00	\$4.50	\$1.00	\$0.25	\$0.25
Statewide	Avg.	\$30.93	\$20.15	\$17.28	\$11.14	\$5.58	\$2.12	\$1.17
	High	\$36.00	\$28.00	\$20.00	\$18.77	\$8.00	\$5.25	\$3.00

 Table 1: Mississippi 3rd quarter 2022 pine stumpage prices (\$/ton)**.

* IND = Insufficient or No Data Reported.

** Product classes are often subdivided into small, medium, and large categories. Prices vary according to size.

Table 2: Mississippi 5 ⁻² quarter 2022 hardwood stumpage prices (5/ton) ²² .								
			Mixed					
		Oak	Hardwood	Hardwood				
Region		Sawtimber	Sawtimber	Pulpwood	Crossties			
	Low	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$2.00	\$15.00			
NW	Avg.	\$36.68	\$25.40	\$4.10	\$22.33			
	High	\$60.00	\$42.00	\$8.00	\$35.00			
	Low	\$20.00	\$15.00	\$2.00	\$15.00			
NE	Avg.	\$37.11	\$32.50	\$7.17	\$17.50			
	High	\$50.00	\$45.00	\$12.00	\$25.00			
	Low	\$34.00	\$17.00	\$1.00	IND			
SW	Avg.	\$38.70	\$28.27	\$4.31	IND			
	High	\$45.00	\$35.00	\$6.00	IND			
	Low	IND	IND	IND	IND			
SE	Avg.	IND	IND	IND	IND			
	High	IND	IND	IND	IND			
	Low	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$1.00	\$15.00			
Statewide	Avg.	\$37.23	\$28.47	\$5.17	\$21.13			
	High	\$60.00	\$45.00	\$12.00	\$35.00			

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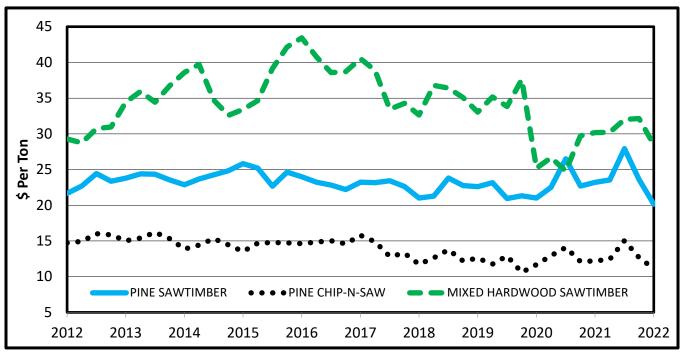
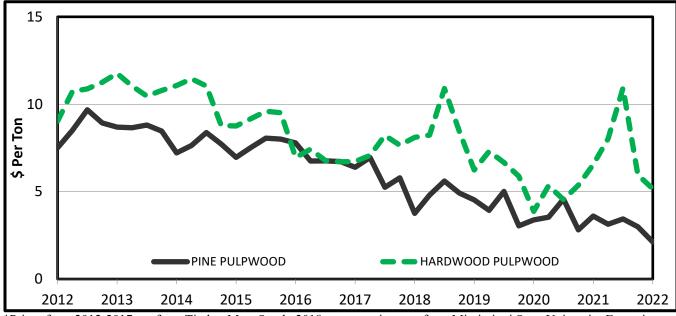


Figure 1: Average Mississippi pine sawtimber, pine chip-n-saw, and mixed hardwood sawtimber stumpage prices (\$/ton) for 3rd quarter 2012 through 3rd quarter 2022.*

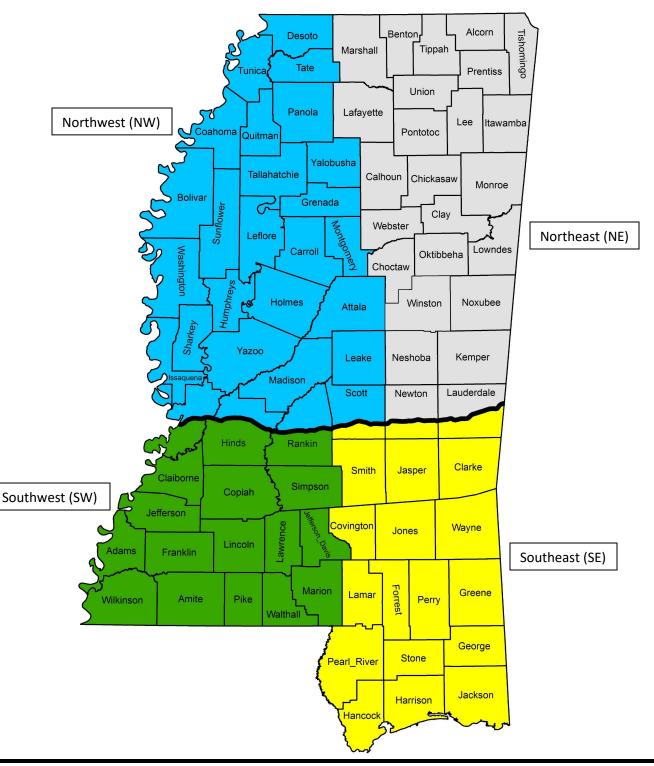
*Prices from 2012-2017 are from Timber Mart-South. 2018-current prices are from Mississippi State University Extension.

Figure 2: Average Mississippi pine and hardwood pulpwood stumpage prices (\$/ton) for 3rd quarter 2012 through 3rd quarter 2022.*



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