

ILLINOIS TIMBER PRICE SURVEY

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES - DIVISION OF FOREST RESOURCES
One Natural Resources Way, Springfield, Illinois 62702
<http://www.dnr.illinois.gov>



Stumpage and Free-on-Board Prices Spring-Summer 2025

This report is prepared by the IDNR - Division of Forest Resources in cooperation with timber buyers, mills, forestry consultants and foresters who participate in a semi-annual survey. Lowest and highest reported prices paid are shown along with the calculated average price paid across the state. Average prices paid can be used as a guide for determining fair market value of timber during the period. Actual prices paid are subject to general U.S., global market and economic conditions combined with local considerations such as markets, site conditions, timber accessibility, terrain, distance to markets, tree size and quality, size of sale and other factors. We advise landowners to contact their District Forester's office directly or the Forestry Division office in Springfield before selling timber. Surveys are issued via standard mail and over the phone, numbers are based on respondents.

Prices shown are in dollars per thousand board feet (MBF). To determine price per single-board foot, divide the dollar value by 1,000.

Species/Product	Lowest (IL)	Highest (IL)	IL State Average
Stumpage	\$/MBF	\$/MBF	\$/MBF
Ash (white, green)	\$80	\$350	\$190
Basswood	\$20	\$250	\$150
Beech	\$20	\$200	\$140
Black Oak	\$30	\$850	\$290
Black Walnut	\$150	\$3,500	\$1,760
Bottomland Hardwoods	\$150	\$250	\$220
Cherry	\$70	\$350	\$220
Cottonwood	\$50	\$250	\$120
Elm/Hackberry	\$20	\$250	\$140
Hickories	\$70	\$700	\$250
Pin Oak	\$20	\$700	\$250
Red Oak	\$70	\$700	\$290
Silver Maple	\$120	\$650	\$230
Sugar Maple	\$130	\$800	\$320
Sweet Gum	\$100	\$250	\$180
Sycamore	\$20	\$300	\$170
Upland Hardwoods	\$250	\$600	\$410
White Oak	\$150	\$2,000	\$900
Yellow Poplar	\$70	\$400	\$220
<hr/>			
Veneer			
Black Walnut	\$1,200	\$6,000	\$3,360
Red Oak	\$250	\$800	\$500
White Oak	\$1,250	\$5,000	\$2,270

*Denotes various species and qualities of which are not explicitly defined

Species/Product	Lowest (IL)	Highest (IL)	IL State Average
<i>Log Delivered to Mill</i>	\$/MBF	\$/MBF	\$/MBF
Ash (white, green)	\$300	\$600	\$460
Basswood	\$350	\$600	\$430
Beech	\$350	\$580	\$400
Black Oak	\$20	\$580	\$380
Black Walnut	\$30	\$3,500	\$1,920
Bottomland Hardwoods	\$450	\$500	\$490
Cherry	\$400	\$580	\$470
Cottonwood	\$10	\$350	\$260
Elm/Hackberry	\$200	\$580	\$330
Hickories	\$10	\$500	\$390
Pin Oak	\$20	\$580	\$380
Red Oak	\$20	\$580	\$450
Silver Maple	\$20	\$580	\$380
Sugar Maple	\$250	\$1,400	\$620
Sweet Gum	\$350	\$580	\$420
Sycamore	\$150	\$580	\$400
Upland Hardwoods	\$500	\$1,200	\$760
White Oak	\$90	\$1,900	\$1,270
Yellow Poplar	\$300	\$500	\$410
<i>Veneer</i>			
Black Walnut	\$400	\$5,000	\$2,890
Red Oak	\$400	\$700	\$550
White Oak	\$300	\$4,000	\$2,580

*Denotes various species and qualities of which are not explicitly defined

Illinois timber prices from 1978 to current can be found at:
http://web.extension.illinois.edu/forestry/illinois_timber_prices.cfm

For Questions or Comments Please Contact:
 Kyle Burkwald
 IDNR Division of Forest Resources
 Wood Utilization and Marketing Forester
Kyle.Burkwald@illinois.gov (217)785-4984

Statistical Considerations*

SAWTIMBER				F.O.B			
SPECIES	Standard Deviation	Median	Standard Error	SPECIES	Standard Deviation	Median	Standard Error
ASH	\$70	\$200	\$20	ASH	\$110	\$490	\$40
BASSWOOD	\$70	\$140	\$20	BASSWOOD	\$120	\$380	\$60
BEECH	\$70	\$150	\$30	BEECH	\$130	\$350	\$60
COTTONWOOD	\$60	\$100	\$10	COTTONWOOD	\$120	\$300	\$50
SWEETGUM	\$50	\$170	\$20	SWEETGUM	\$110	\$400	\$50
ELM/HACKBERRY	\$60	\$150	\$10	ELM/HACKBERRY	\$120	\$300	\$50
HICKORY	\$170	\$200	\$40	HICKORY	\$170	\$450	\$60
CHERRY	\$80	\$200	\$20	CHERRY	\$60	\$450	\$20
SILVER MAPLE	\$130	\$180	\$30	SILVER MAPLE	\$160	\$400	\$50
SUGAR MAPLE	\$190	\$250	\$60	SUGAR MAPLE	\$360	\$500	\$140
BLACK OAK	\$210	\$250	\$50	BLACK OAK	\$220	\$480	\$80
RED OAK	\$140	\$250	\$30	RED OAK	\$160	\$500	\$50
PIN OAK	\$160	\$230	\$40	PIN OAK	\$220	\$480	\$90
WHITE OAK	\$440	\$750	\$100	WHITE OAK	\$600	\$1500	\$180
YELLOW POPLAR	\$110	\$200	\$40	YELLOW POPLAR	\$70	\$400	\$30
SYCAMORE	\$70	\$150	\$20	SYCAMORE	\$160	\$400	\$70
BLACK WALNUT	\$890	\$1730	\$190	BLACK WALNUT	\$990	\$2000	\$330
BOTTOMLAND HARDWOODS	\$40	\$250	\$20	BOTTOMLAND HARDWOODS	\$30	\$500	\$10
UPLAND HARDWOODS	\$140	\$450	\$60	UPLAND HARDWOODS	\$340	\$680	\$170

*Values calculated using MS Excel Formulas

*Values assume responses indicate sample size of population (n)

*Alpha value used - 0.05

*Original values calculated in \$/single board foot value, expanded by 1000 for data compatibility

- Responses received: 22
- Number of active buyers: 177
- Active Buyer Response Rate: $22/177 = 12.4\%$
- Response window: 80 calendar days