

# ILLINOIS TIMBER PRICE SURVEY

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

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

Illinois timber prices from 1978 to current can be found at:  
[http://web.extension.illinois.edu/forestry/illinois\\_timber\\_prices.cfm](http://web.extension.illinois.edu/forestry/illinois_timber_prices.cfm)

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## Statistical Considerations\*

### SAWTIMBER

SPECIES	Standard Deviation	Median	Standard Error
ASH	\$70	\$200	\$20
BASSWOOD	\$70	\$140	\$20
BEECH	\$70	\$150	\$30
COTTONWOOD	\$60	\$100	\$10
SWEETGUM	\$50	\$170	\$20
ELM/HACKBERRY	\$60	\$150	\$10
HICKORY	\$170	\$200	\$40
CHERRY	\$80	\$200	\$20
SILVER MAPLE	\$130	\$180	\$30
SUGAR MAPLE	\$190	\$250	\$60
BLACK OAK	\$210	\$250	\$50
RED OAK	\$140	\$250	\$30
PIN OAK	\$160	\$230	\$40
WHITE OAK	\$440	\$750	\$100
YELLOW POPLAR	\$110	\$200	\$40
SYCAMORE	\$70	\$150	\$20
BLACK WALNUT	\$890	\$1730	\$190
BOTTOMLAND HARDWOODS	\$40	\$250	\$20
UPLAND HARDWOODS	\$140	\$450	\$60

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BEECH	\$130	\$350	\$60
COTTONWOOD	\$120	\$300	\$50
SWEETGUM	\$110	\$400	\$50
ELM/HACKBERRY	\$120	\$300	\$50
HICKORY	\$170	\$450	\$60
CHERRY	\$60	\$450	\$20
SILVER MAPLE	\$160	\$400	\$50
SUGAR MAPLE	\$360	\$500	\$140
BLACK OAK	\$220	\$480	\$80
RED OAK	\$160	\$500	\$50
PIN OAK	\$220	\$480	\$90
WHITE OAK	\$600	\$1500	\$180
YELLOW POPLAR	\$70	\$400	\$30
SYCAMORE	\$160	\$400	\$70
BLACK WALNUT	\$990	\$2000	\$330
BOTTOMLAND HARDWOODS	\$30	\$500	\$10
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