

Mississippi Timber Price Report

2nd Quarter 2024

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How are prices obtained? This report used data from 81 timber sales conducted and reported across Mississippi during 2nd quarter 2024. Reporters include forest product companies, logging contractors, consulting foresters, landowners, and other natural resource professionals.

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Price Trends

April and May brought significant rainfall across most of Mississippi, leading to higher prices due to the wetter weather. Landowners with land that could be harvested during wet weather benefitted. The 2nd quarter statewide stumpage prices for pine products and hardwood products are in Table 1 and 2 respectively. Figures reflect statewide average price trends.

Compared to the 1st quarter, statewide average prices changed significantly (-16% to 107%) during the 2nd quarter. Only mixed hardwood sawtimber and crossties saw price decrease. Prices varied for some product classes across regions due to localized market conditions. Pulpwood market has improved, as average pine and hardwood pulp prices increased 11% and 4.6% respectively, this quarter. As we move into the drier months, prices are expected to decline in the 3rd quarter, as usual.

The wood products market declined this quarter, with price drops for Southern pine lumber, Southern plywood, and Southern OSB. Housing starts and building permits also decreased compared to the same period in 2023. Diesel and crude oil prices were down, while natural gas prices went up.

Table 1: Mississippi 2nd quarter 2024 pine stumpage prices (\$/ton)**.

Table 1. Mississippi 2		quarter 2024 pine stumpage prices (\$\psi\$ ton) :					
Region		Pine Poles	Pine Sawtimber	Pine Plylogs	Pine Chip-n- Saw	Pine Pulpwood	Pine Topwood
NW	Low	\$25.00	\$12.00	\$12.00	\$7.00	\$0.10	\$0.50
	Avg	\$30.93	\$15.77	\$14.00	\$9.65	\$1.14	\$0.83
	High	\$35.00	\$20.00	\$18.00	\$13.00	\$3.00	\$1.00
NE	Low	\$21.00	\$11.00	\$15.00	\$5.00	\$0.10	\$0.25
	Avg	\$32.27	\$19.41	\$16.36	\$10.91	\$1.67	\$2.06
	High	\$44.72	\$32.58	\$18.00	\$17.00	\$5.00	\$6.50
SW	Low	\$28.00	\$17.00	\$17.00	\$6.00	\$0.50	\$0.50
	Avg	\$31.11	\$23.42	\$17.75	\$10.94	\$2.14	\$1.13
	High	\$35.00	\$31.00	\$18.00	\$18.00	\$7.00	\$3.00
SE	Low	\$32.00	\$17.00	\$14.00	\$9.00	\$1.00	\$0.25
	Avg	\$39.40	\$20.80	\$23.30	\$11.40	\$2.17	\$1.45
	High	\$45.00	\$23.00	\$33.00	\$13.00	\$5.00	\$5.00
Statewide	Low	\$21.00	\$11.00	\$12.00	\$5.00	\$0.10	\$0.25
	Avg	\$32.72	\$19.60	\$17.38	\$10.64	\$1.69	\$1.55
	High	\$45.00	\$32.58	\$33.00	\$18.00	\$7.00	\$6.50

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

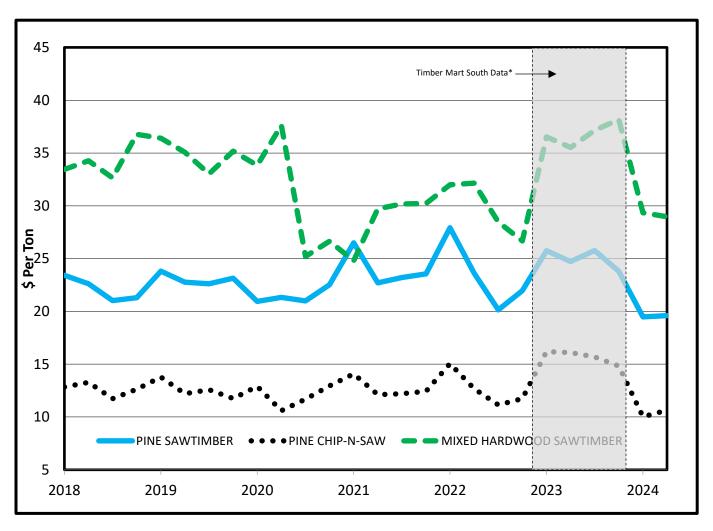
Table 2: Mississippi 2nd quarter 2024 hardwood stumpage prices (\$/ton)**.

Region		Oak Sawtimber	Mixed Hardwood Sawtimber	Hardwood Pulpwood	Crossties
NW	Low	\$30.00	\$17.00	\$1.00	\$26.00
	Avg	\$36.40	\$26.33	\$2.64	\$30.33
	High	\$45.00	\$40.00	\$6.00	\$35.00
	Low	\$20.00	\$15.00	\$2.00	\$15.00
NE	Avg	\$36.14	\$31.52	\$5.23	\$17.50
	High	\$46.00	\$40.00	\$15.00	\$25.00
	Low	\$35.00	\$20.00	\$1.00	IND
SW	Avg	\$39.18	\$28.50	\$2.81	IND
	High	\$54.00	\$44.00	\$4.30	IND
	Low	\$40.00	\$20.00	\$1.00	IND
SE	Avg	\$40.00	\$26.88	\$7.60	IND
	High	\$40.00	\$32.50	\$15.00	IND
	Low	\$20.00	\$15.00	\$1.00	\$15.00
Statewide	Avg	\$37.34	\$28.96	\$4.17	\$23.00
	High	\$54.00	\$44.00	\$15.00	\$35.00

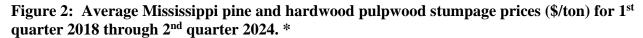
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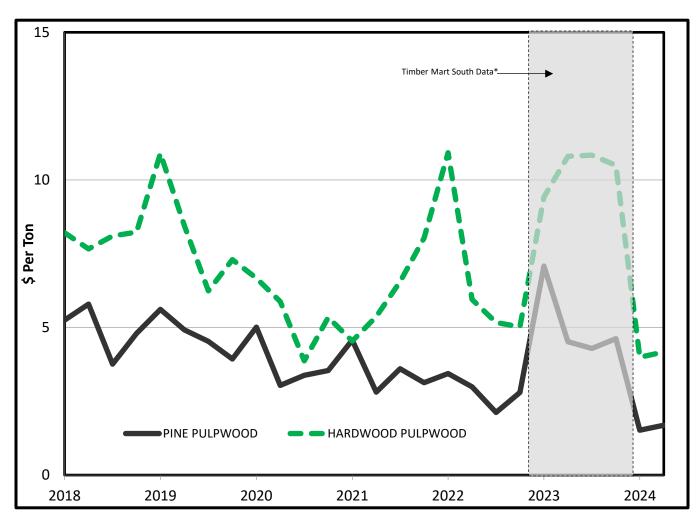
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Figure 1: Average Mississippi pine sawtimber, pine chip-n-saw, and mixed hardwood sawtimber stumpage prices (\$/ton) for 1st quarter 2018 through 2nd quarter 2024. *



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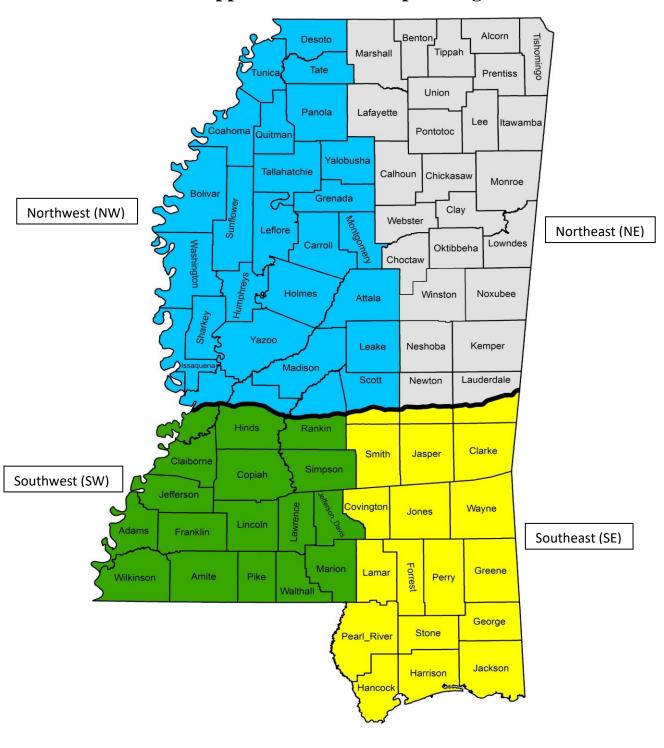




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