

ILLINOIS TIMBER PRICES

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This report is published by the IDNR, Division of Forest Resources in cooperation with timber buyers, mills, forestry consultants and foresters who participate in a semi-annual survey or report sale results. "Stumpage" is the price in the woods on the stump. "FOB" is the price for cut timber/logs delivered to a landing or mill. Ranges of prices paid show highest and lowest reported. The average price paid across Illinois, by species, is the best estimate of market value of timber during the period. Actual prices buyers pay are subject to US and global market and economic conditions combined with local factors such as markets, transportation costs, site conditions, timber accessibility, topography and 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.

SPECIES/PRODUCT	lowest price	highest price	AVERAGE PRICE STUMPAGE	
STANDING TIMBER (stumpage)	paid statewide	paid statewide	\$/MBF	Statewide
Ash Stumpage	50	350	\$	210.00
Basswood Stumpage	20	200	\$	110.00
Beech Stumpage	50	150	\$	100.00
Cottonwood Stumpage	30	400	\$	110.00
Sweet Gum Stumpage	50	270	\$	150.00
Elm and Hackberry Stumpage	20	350	\$	150.00
Hickory Stumpage	100	300	\$	190.00
Cherry Stumpage	200	600	\$	310.00
Soft Maple Stumpage	20	300	\$	190.00
Sugar Maple Stumpage	80	400	\$	270.00
Black Oak Stumpage	100	400	\$	200.00
Pin Oak Stumpage	50	350	\$	170.00
Red Oak Stumpage	80	350	\$	230.00
White Oak Stumpage	275	1180	\$	590.00
Yellow Poplar Stumpage	150	300	\$	220.00
Sycamore Stumpage	50	400	\$	180.00
Black Walnut Stumpage	190	3000	\$	1,300.00
Woods Run Bottomland Stumpage	100	400	\$	230.00
Woods Run Upland Stumpage	130	700	\$	370.00
Red Oak Veneer Stumpage	400	750	\$	590.00
White Oak Veneer Stumpage	500	3000	\$	1,510.00
Black Walnut Veneer Stumpage	1500	5000	\$	2,800.00
Cherry Veneer Stumpage	400	600	\$	470.00

SPECIES/PRODUCT	lowest price	highest price	AVERAGE PRICE PAID	AT MILL
CUT LOGS DELIVERED (FOB)	paid statewide	paid statewide	\$/MBF Statewide	
Ash FOB Mill	200	750	\$ 470.00	
Basswood FOB Mill	250	425	\$ 320.00	
Beech FOB Mill	300	350	\$ 320.00	
Cottonwood FOB Mill	100	500	\$ 300.00	
Sweet Gum FOB Mill	250	470	\$ 340.00	
Elm and Hackberry FOB Mill	150	470	\$ 340.00	
Hickory FOB Mill	250	600	\$ 390.00	
Cherry FOB Mill	350	700	\$ 510.00	
Soft Maple FOB Mill	200	600	\$ 400.00	
Sugar Maple FOB Mill	300	750	\$ 500.00	
Black Oak FOB Mill	150	620	\$ 400.00	
Pin Oak FOB Mill	200	550	\$ 380.00	
Red Oak FOB Mill	250	650	\$ 450.00	
White Oak FOB Mill	400	1500	\$ 900.00	
Yellow Poplar FOB Mill	290	500	\$ 370.00	
Sycamore FOB Mill	200	750	\$ 400.00	
Black Walnut FOB Mill	500	4500	\$ 2,210.00	
Woods Run Bottomland FOB Mill	275	450	\$ 400.00	
Woods Run Upland FOB Mill	300	800	\$ 470.00	
Red Oak Veneer FOB Mill	500	2000	\$ 1,200.00	
White Oak Veneer FOB Mill	1250	5000	\$ 2,390.00	
Black Walnut Veneer FOB Mill	2250	7500	\$ 4,680.00	
Cherry Veneer FOB Mill	500	1200	\$ 970.00	

APPRAISING YOUR TIMBER:

Timber is worth the most someone is willing to pay for it. Timber buyers, mills and foresters can measure and assess cut timber or stumpage volume and value. Professional consulting foresters are available for a variety of forest management services, timber scaling, timber appraisals and timber harvest advisement. Licensed timber buyers can make like offers to appraise timber value.

MILL OPERATIONS:

MBF = 1,000 Board Feet; measured in Doyle Scale
 Custom Mill Sawing Rate averages \$250 per 1,000 Board Feet
 Portable sawmills are sawyers are available for hire.

CONSULTING FORESTERS DIRECTORY:

<https://www.dnr.illinois.gov/conservation/Forestry/Documents/2016consultingforesters.pdf>

SAWMILL DIRECTORY:

<https://www.dnr.illinois.gov/conservation/Forestry/Documents/IllinoisSawmillDirectory.pdf>

TIMBER BUYERS DIRECTORY:

<https://dnr2.illinois.gov/TimberBuyers/>

OLDER TIMBER PRICE REPORTS:

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

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