

# Craighead County Forests and Forest Industry, 2021

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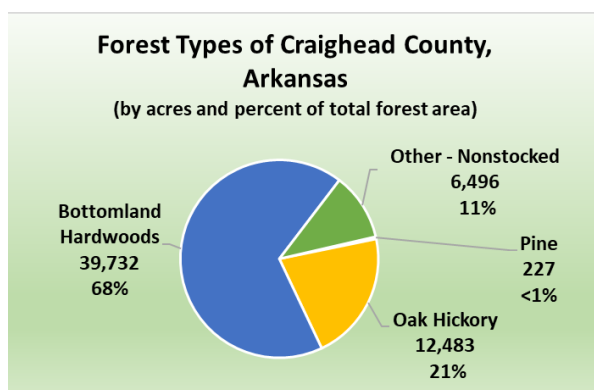
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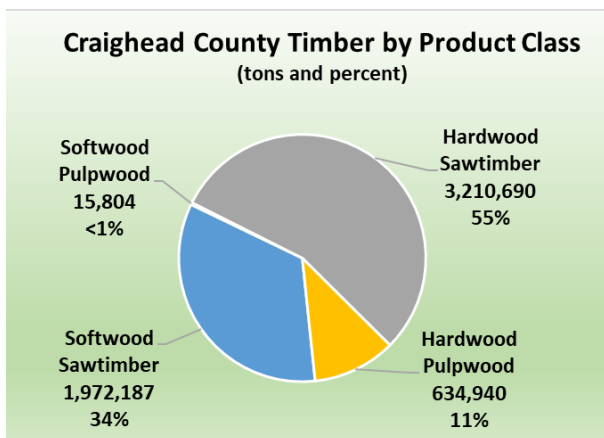


### Craighead County Forest Facts

Forests occupy 58,938 acres (13%) of the land area in Craighead County; 80% of the forests are privately owned. 100% of the county's forests are of natural origin. Forest area by cover type is shown in the figure below.



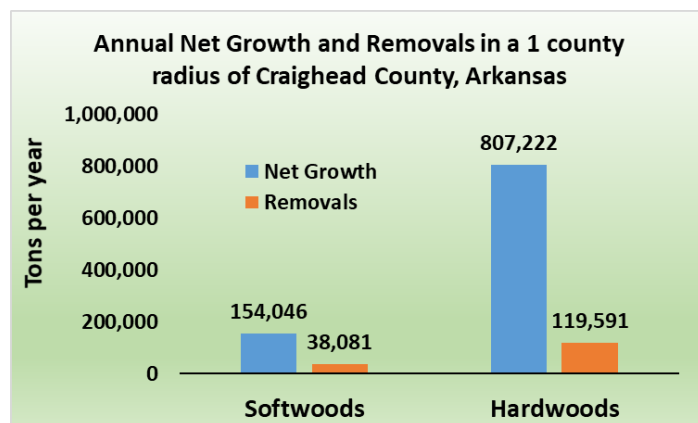
The forests of Craighead County contain 1,987,991 tons of softwood timber and 3,845,630 tons of hardwood timber. The forest is made up of largely hardwood saw timber trees as shown below.



### Timber Supply around Craighead County

Within a 1-county radius around and including Craighead County (Dunklin, Greene, Jackson, Lawrence, Mississippi, and Poinsett) there are 4.4 million tons of softwood and 23.3 million tons of hardwood timber. In this 7-county region, annual net growth exceeds harvest by 803,597

tons, 86% of this surplus is in hardwood growth as shown below.



### Economic Contributions of Craighead County Forests

Forest industries contribute \$14,096,002 annually to Craighead County's value added (GDP) which is 0.3% of the county's total economic activity. This is well below the state-wide average of 4.95%. Notable forest industries include Howards Sawmill and Logging, ITNOLAP Pallets and Crating, Deb's Cabinet Shop, and Roger's Custom Millwork. Four logging firms operate from Craighead County. Income in Craighead County's forestry sectors is 150% of the county average. The direct economic contribution of Craighead County's forest industry is shown in the table below by sectors.

Sector	Employees	Labor Income	Value Added (GDP)
Forestry	2	\$133,566	\$128,553
Logging	88	\$8,481,950	\$8,905,036
Solid Wood Products	32	\$1,282,660	\$1,929,990
Furniture	59	\$2,102,693	\$3,132,422
<b>Forestry Totals in Craighead County</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>\$12,000,869</b>	<b>\$14,096,002</b>