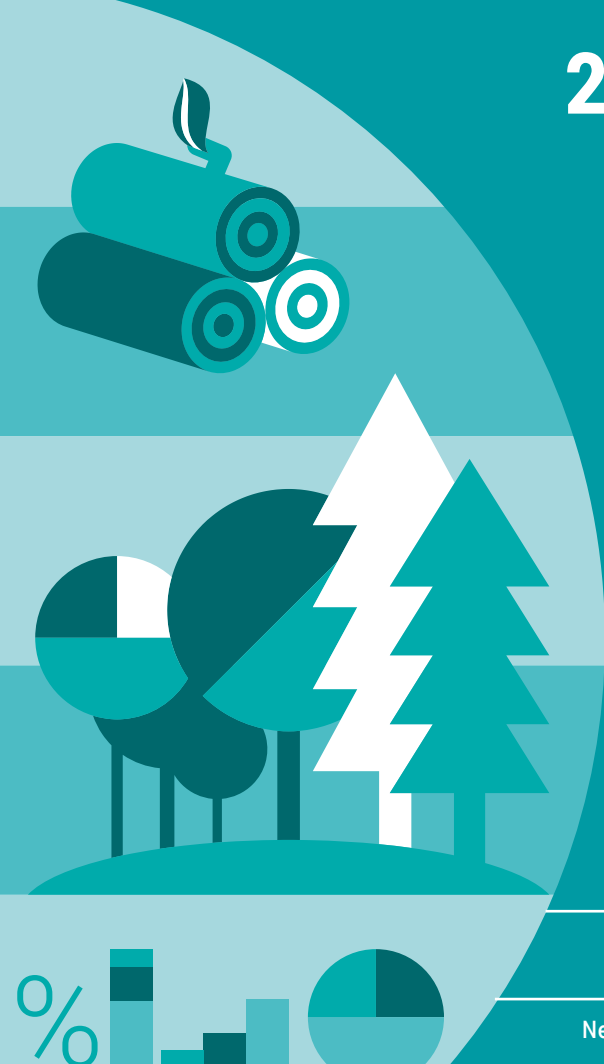


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Forestry statistics 2023¹

																											
	CH	ZH	BE	LU	UR	SZ	OW	NW	GL	ZG	FR	SO	BS	BL	SH	AR	AI	SG	GR	AG	TG	TI	VD	VS	NE	GE	JU
Wood harvest in m³, total	4 890 160	440 197	914 501	294 897	31 542	119 579	63 980	24 772	50 730	52 670	268 975	177 099	2 861	135 083	85 861	47 724	10 373	295 117	367 423	360 278	149 962	106 811	438 495	116 776	161 602	7 758	165 094
Change over previous year (2022) in %	−6%	−9%	−14%	−5%	3%	−13%	−13%	−9%	21%	−4%	−1%	−10%	10%	0%	−5%	19%	2%	−5%	−1%	−3%	−2%	3%	9%	−9%	−4%	−7%	−13%
Softwood (conifers)	3 194 147	243 666	641 092	232 584	25 174	92 080	38 319	12 360	29 863	34 628	179 251	75 469	100	30 892	44 798	39 873	9 525	187 283	341 261	181 924	85 660	38 248	312 003	108 544	126 578	1 090	81 882
Hardwood (deciduous)	1 696 013	196 531	273 409	62 313	6 368	27 499	25 661	12 412	20 867	18 042	89 724	101 630	2 761	104 191	41 063	7 851	848	107 834	26 162	178 354	64 302	68 563	126 492	8 232	35 024	6 668	83 212

Wood harvest by use, in m³																											
Sawlogs and veneer logs	2 249 792	184 347	456 922	161 924	14 245	63 027	24 175	7 297	24 391	25 119	118 828	54 840	261	33 604	32 466	31 961	4 686	152 874	231 032	135 483	62 527	21 192	220 667	46 581	88 375	214	52 754
Industrial roundwood	479 069	28 780	120 485	61 299	275	5 592	4 077	113	7 385	2 367	3 344	28 383	808	11 257	13 008	636	3 249	26 112	3 400	37 282	5 752	227	39 166	12 943	5 542	1	57 586
Total wood fuel	2 147 281	226 388	334 364	70 988	17 008	49 345	35 643	17 312	16 793	25 184	145 895	93 846	1 792	90 210	40 349	15 111	2 438	114 997	132 651	185 784	81 541	85 392	177 686	56 709	67 578	7 523	54 754
of which chopped wood	764 268	42 315	109 417	14 426	5 070	13 258	5 612	4 772	9 342	3 689	26 896	31 588	54	19 622	13 425	5 052	378	50 798	57 362	44 640	25 074	78 197	149 464	27 728	7 205	504	18 380
of which wood chips	1 383 013	184 073	224 947	56 562	11 938	36 087	30 031	12 540	7 451	21 495	118 999	62 258	1 738	70 588	26 924	10 059	2 060	64 199	75 289	141 144	56 467	7 195	28 222	28 981	60 373	7 019	36 374
Other types of wood	14 018	682	2 730	686	14	1 615	85	50	2 161	0	908	30	0	12	38	16	0	1 134	340	1 729	142	0	976	543	107	20	0

Forest area in ha	1 271 205	50 236	179 184	39 821	20 791	27 888	18 659	7 772	21 150	6 458	43 094	31 752	471	20 356	12 727	7 181	4 874	60 000	200 943	49 166	20 120	142 941	126 613	109 584	30 162	3 003	36 259
Productive forest land	1 118 049	49 653	162 254	39 821	16 946	27 106	15 526	7 093	18 540	6 388	42 061	27 459	471	19 968	12 679	6 861	4 660	56 634	161 837	46 282	20 083	127 419	94 143	90 708	27 124	2 599	33 734
Unproductive forest land	153 156	583	16 930	0	3 845	782	3 133	679	2 610	70	1 033	4 293	0	388	48	320	214	3 366	39 106	2 884	37	15 522	32 470	18 876	3 038	404	2 525
Forest reserves 2022²	98 121	4 025	8 677	2 748	1 473	3 771	1 561	619	2 311	1 308	1 327	3 360	3	4 163	572	509	168	4 607	21 610	7 094	1 689	10 015	4 438	6 819	2 344	805	2 106

Forest ownership																											
Private forest land in ha	373 701	25 420	89 094	29 736	2 980	7 347	1 656	2 453	2 662	1 813	18 546	6 601	86	4 435	2 149	5 530	2 782	26 021	19 480	11 114	11 308	28 842	41 011	10 002	12 885	1 045	8 703
Public forest land in ha	897 504	24 816	90 090	10 085	17 811	20 541	17 003	5 319	18 488	4 645	24 548	25 151	385	15 921	10 578	1 651	2 092	33 979	181 463	38 052	8 812	114 099	85 602	99 582	17 277	1 958	27 556
Forest owners (total number)	245 494	18 348	36 600	11 260	1 510	3 449	1 814	826	1 466	1 242	11 888	5 245	164	6 136	2 098	4 265	3 024	16 991	10 476	14 494	8 919	30 104	27 252	19 903	2 948	1 595	3 499
Private forest owners³	242 149	18 146	36 185	11 131	1 489	3 364	1 801	806	1 457	1 172	11 740	5 118	160	6 044	2 043	4 241	2 996	16 487	10 340	14 295	8 850	29 788	26 947	19 676	2 862	1 564	3 447
Public forest owners	3 345	202	415	129	21	85	13	20	9	70	148	127	4	92	55	24	28	504	136	199	69	316	305	227	86	31	52

Business results achieved by forestry enterprises
In CHF thousand

No. of forestry enterprises (with and without employees)	640	45	87	11	9	12	8	5	3	6	18	22	X	21	11	X	X	32	63	55	20	59	81	32	16	X	18
Revenue	597 978	41 733	59 379	9 943	9 141	10 776	17 763	5 832	13 299	8 762	38 344	30 570	X	30 050	7 696	X	X	26 891	83 395	65 832	9 554	10 309	31 041	58 550	12 600	X	14 640
of which contributions for public services comprise	145 945	4 096	11 491	1 109	4 821	1 990	6 046	837	4 968	1 692	10 975	5 607	X	6 967	1 170	X	X	6 138	26 275	7 937	1 162	5 861	7 112	21 966	4 898	X	2 313
Expenditure	618 330	51 044	54 899	9 800	8 988	10 706	17 083	5 309	17 063	8 950	37 887	28 844	X	29 044	8 218	X	X	25 613	90 380	61 315	8 812	15 045	41 503	56 393	12 175	X	14 115
Balance	−20 352	−9 312	4 481	144	153	70	680	522	−3 764	−188	457	1 726	X	1 006	−522	X	X	1 278	−6 985	4 517	742	−4 736	−10 462	2 157	425	X	525
Investment (capital spending)	64 185	2 479	5 120	1 091	1 688	1 215	1 586	85	571	837	3 526	3 709	X	1 478	636	X	X	892	21 072	2 182	351	5 000	701	7 120	921	X	757
of which contributions for public services	20 003	14	120	54	1 012	544	228	0	79	176	86	588	X	100	0	X	X	52	11 282	1 071	0	3 304	321	633	241	X	20

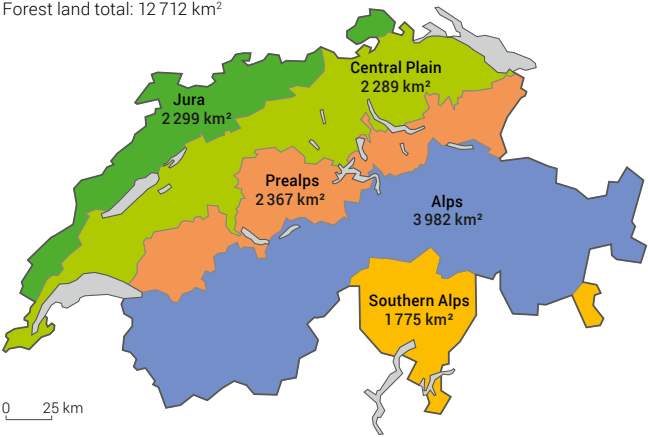
Establishments and employees 2022⁴

Forestry enterprises	449	32	61	14	8	12	8	4	X	7	15	8	X	17	11	7	5	29	73	43	13	9	25	28	10	0	6
No. of persons employed in these enterprises	2 867	177	349	42	55	52	80	23	26	54	123	42	24	100	47	36	22	172	439	313	72	44	121	389	55	0	10
Logging enterprises and forestry services contractors	959	83	151	47	X	27	8	8	12	10	39	32	X	28	14	10	5	46	60	51	40	79	100	30	38	9	28
No. of persons employed in these enterprises	3 604	257	494	165	X	81	69	53	52	26	137	107	X	87	46	18	13	175	298	204	119	401	450	92	123	39	91

¹ Source: FSO – Swiss Forestry Statistics, Survey on wood processing in sawmills, Forest Enterprise Network; Federal Office for the Environment – Forest reserves ² Graubünden: 5 445 ha National Park ³ Forest owners who are registered in several cantons count as one forest owner in the CH total. ⁴ Source: FSO – Structural Business Statistics STATENT X: Not included due to data protection issues © FSO 2024

Forest land by forest area in 2023

Forest land total: 12 712 km²

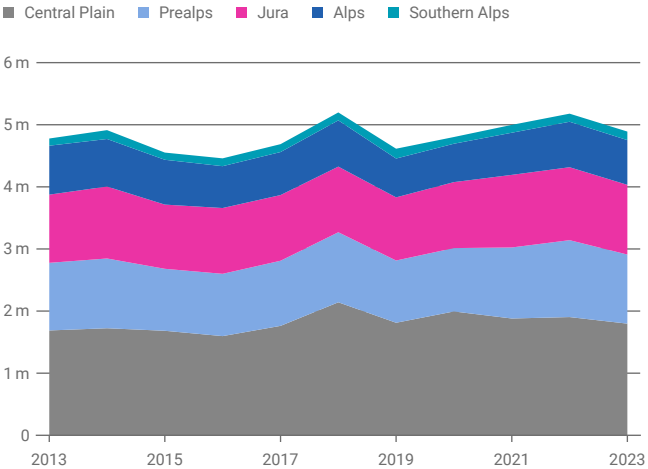


Source: Swiss Forestry Statistics (FS)

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Wood harvest

Total 2023: 4.9 million m³



Source: FSO – Swiss Forestry Statistics

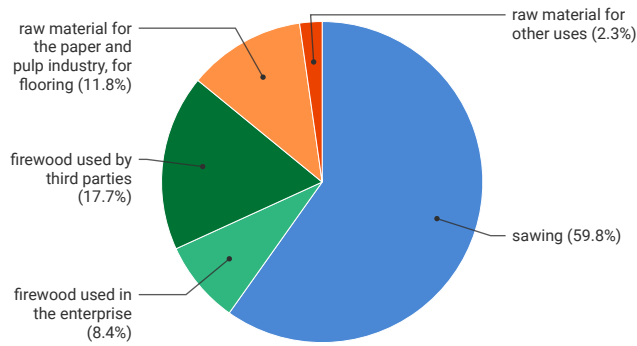
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Wood processing in swiss sawmills, 2023

Total 2.0 Mio. m³ roundwood

By-products 40.2%

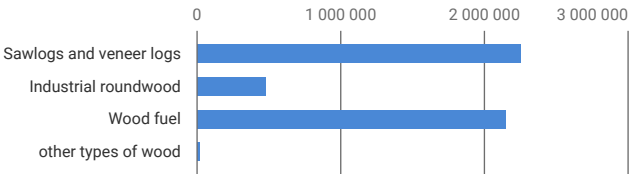


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Source: FSO – Federal survey on wood processing in sawmills
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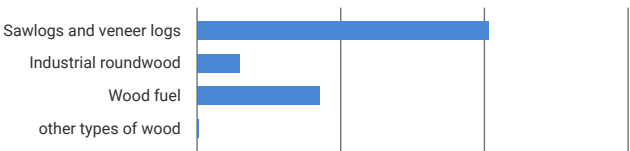
Wood harvest by use, 2023

Total softwood and hardwood: 4 890 000 m³

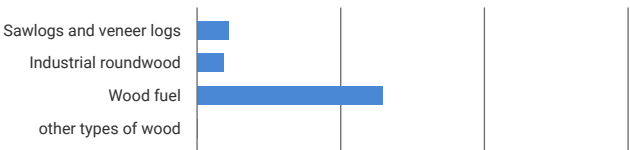
Total



Softwood (conifers)

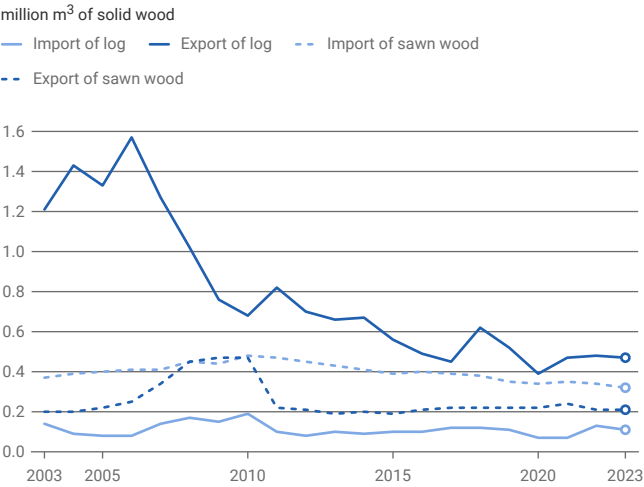


Hardwood (deciduous)



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Foreign trade of roundwood and sawings

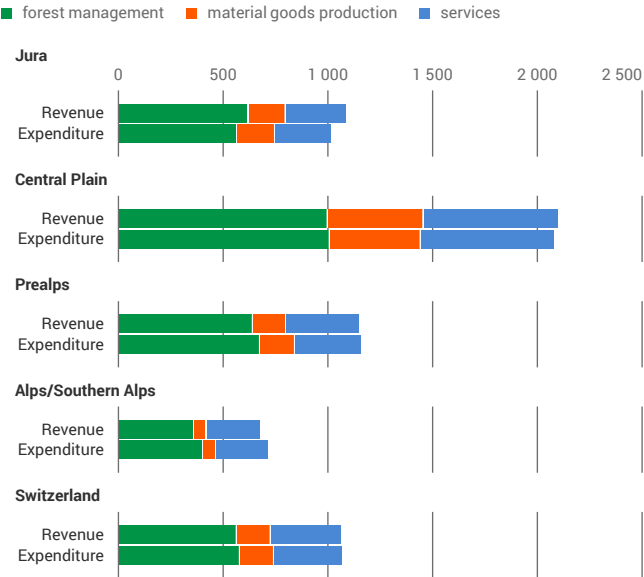


Source: FOCBS – Swiss foreign trade statistics; FOEN

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Revenue and expenditure of selected forestry enterprises, 2023

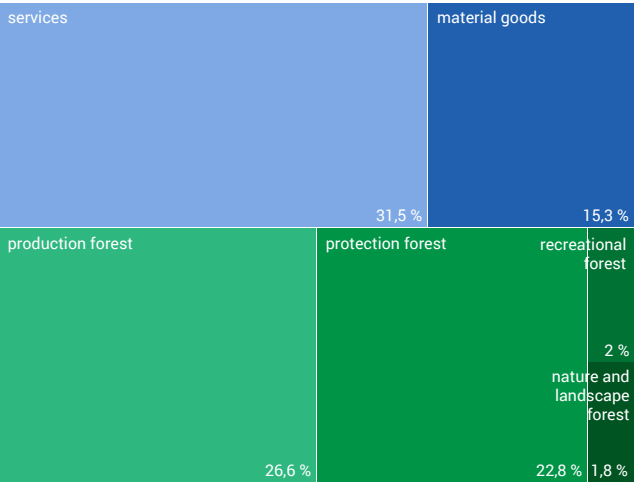
Swiss francs per ha of productive forest land



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Revenue share of selected forest enterprises, 2023



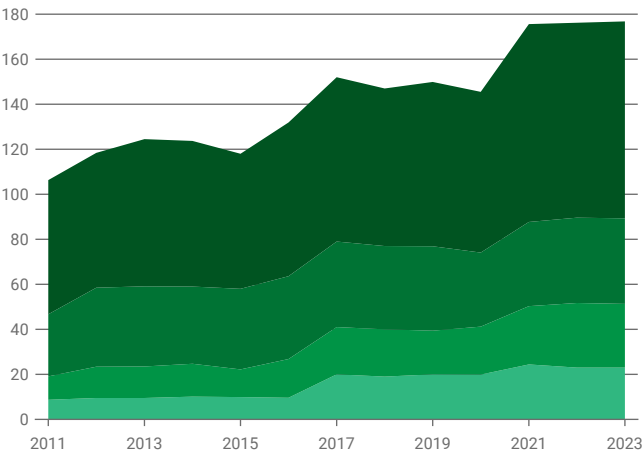
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Public forestry expenditures

CHF million

- partial programme forest biodiversity
- partial programme forest management
- protective structures / data on natural hazards
- partial programme protective forests



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