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Forest Products

Current Industry Statistics:

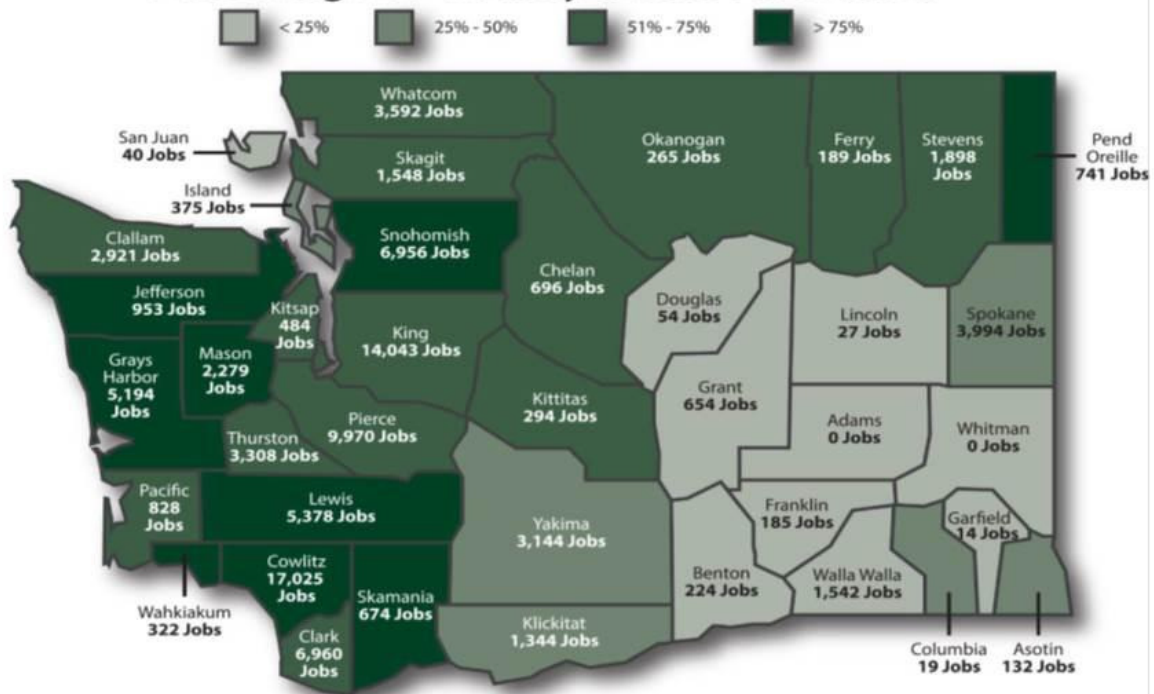


- There are over 1,900 forest products related businesses in Washington State
- 35,500 direct jobs, and another 70,000 indirect and induced jobs in 2013
- Gross business income approximately \$28 billion per year
- \$2 billion in annual wages for direct employees, \$2.9 billion indirect/induced
- 3rd largest manufacturing sector in WA
- More than 10% of forestry-related jobs are “green” compared to state average of 3%



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Percentage of County that is Forestland



Jobs by County - 2014



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Work in progress/Goals:

- Establish Forest Products Sector Lead Position
- Work with industry stakeholders and key government officials to find common ground on carbon rules
- Assist with the formation of the Governor's Wildland Fire Council and the implementation of their short-, intermediate- and long-term goals
- Reauthorization of B&O tax credit for biomass
- Restore Public Works Board Emergency Funding Response Initiative
- Assist with strategy to promote Cross Laminated Timber (CLT)/Mass Timber production and construction in Washington State



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Cross Laminated Timber



Cross Laminated Timber A byproduct of forest health

- Wood grows naturally and is renewable
- Life cycle assessment studies show that wood outperforms steel and concrete in terms of embodied energy, air pollution and water pollution
- Wood products continue to store carbon absorbed by the trees while growing
- Presence of wood indoors promotes better health for a building's occupants
- Thick, cross-section panels char slowly, at a predictable rate, maintaining significant structural capacity for extended durations when exposed to fire

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