

ANALYSIS OF WOOD REMOVALS AND CONSUMPTION IN NORTH MACEDONIA IN THE PERIOD 2015-2020

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ABSTRACT

In this paper wood industry of North Macedonia was analysed. According to this analysis, there are many major and minor problems. One of the biggest problems is bad condition of the Public Enterprise “Makedonski Shumi”, insufficient equipment in the sawmills and poor quality of Macedonian forests. Minor problems are, for example, low salaries and low number of employees, or poor state support for companies. All these problems lead to low removals, which are annually decreasing, when in 2020 total removals were 735 000 m³. These problems lead to low quality of removed wood too, when only about 17% of wood is used as industrial roundwood.

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